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CHINA AND RUSSIA AT CROSSROADS

SOVIET'S PROMPT REPLY

New York Says "Diplomatic Relations Severed"

MOSCOW ACCUSES NANKING OF HYPOCRISY

While a New York source quotes a report from Moscow (and cabled overnight by Reuter) that Russia has severed diplomatic relations with China, war has yet to be declared.

Chinese particularly insist that the breach will not widen. On the other hand, the Soviet has replied promptly to the last Chinese Note—too promptly to indicate that it will wait longer—to the effect that "all means of reaching an amicable settlement have been exhausted."

Accordingly, Russia is to call her subjects from China and give marching orders to Chinese diplomatic officers in Russia. Which action would be tantamount to a declaration of war.

In spite of the continually mentioned calm demeanour of all Chinese who count, both sides appear to be making preparations for hostilities and, furthermore, the Japanese (who are always best-informed) appear to have made up their minds that trans-Siberia railway traffic will cease for the time being. Communications will be suspended unless there is a new development, which can only mean either China or Russia climbing down. So far, there has been no talk of active foreign intervention or mediation.

"WHITES" TO JOIN IN?

Moscow, Yesterday.
The Soviet have replied to the Note which China sent before the expiry of the three days' ultimatum.

The Russians say that because all means of reaching an amicable settlement have been exhausted, the Soviet Government is compelled to recall from China all official representatives and all Russian officials of the Chinese Eastern Railway, and also to suspend all railway communications between the Soviet and China.

Also, the Soviet reply states, the Soviet Government order the immediate departure of the diplomatic representatives of China in Russia.

China "Outspoken"

Finally, the Soviet reserves the rights arising out of the Agreement of 1924 (in regard to the Railway) and declares the Chinese reply to be unsatisfactory and hypocritical.

According to a version published here, the Chinese Note (in reply to Russia's ultimatum) presents views which are rather more outspoken in form than at first cabled.

The Russian version of the Chinese Note renders one passage as China saying:—"If all Chinese citizens and societies (in Russia) are guaranteed proper protection, the same treatment will in due time be accorded all the Soviet institutions in China which have been closed."

"Fast Wrong-Doings"
Another passage, according to the Russian rendering, of the Chinese Note makes China express the hope that "the Soviet Government will, of its own accord, correct past wrong-doings and will respect the sovereignty of China and its laws, and that the Soviet will not make proposals denying the existing facts."

Troop Trains Leave
Harbin, To-day.

The Soviet officials remaining in Harbin state that Nanking's reply opens the way to negotiations, although it fails to satisfy the Russian demand for the cancellation of the seizure of the Railway and the dismissal of officials, which omission may yet compel the Soviet to resort to measures to safeguard its rights.

In spite of Nanking's reply, the Chinese military preparations have not slackened. Troop trains left to-day in the direction of Pogranichnoye and Manchuli.

The headquarters of the Chinese Eastern Railway are informed that the international train from Harbin failed to make the usual connection with the Russian train at Manchuli; hence the international route is suspended.—Reuter.

War Rumours
Shanghai, To-day.

The fact that telegraph communication from Tientsin to Harbin

WATER RESTRICTIONS ON ISLAND

NO RELAXATION AWAITING NEXT OVERFLOW OF RESERVOIRS

PRECAUTION FOR WINTER

The "China Mail" learns officially that the authorities having carefully considered the matter, have decided against lessening any of the water restrictions on the Island.

It is pointed out that unless the reservoirs overflow (as the result of future rains, of course) the community will again be in a very dangerous position during the coming winter months, which are naturally dry.

The work of laying the pipeline across the harbour will, naturally, be accelerated; but, even so, no one can predict with certainty when it will be completed.

The Government's new water Bill, affecting the supply and cost of water by meter, was read in the Legislative Council this afternoon, being prefaced by a statement in support of the "objects and reasons" already published in the "China Mail."

In Kowloon there is an abundant supply without touching the storage in the reservoirs, which is accumulating. This, of course, will be a splendid reserve during the dry winter months.

WATER WASTERS

A Man Cautioned & a Woman Fined

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, with wasting water.

An Indian Guard told the Magistrate that at the public water tank in Sutherland-street, he saw the accused open the tap and fill one bucket. This he placed aside and returned to wash his hands and feet. The tap was running at full force for three minutes.

When witness went up to accuse and warned him, he became abusive, so he arrested him.

The Magistrate recognised both the Guard and the accused as men who had figured before him in a case of disorderly conduct. The identification was confirmed by Inspector Bloor.

Accused said that he had just filled one bucket of water and was proceeding to fill a second when the Guard arrested him. He certainly did not wash himself.

Remarking that he was not satisfied with the evidence, Mr. Hamilton discharged the accused with a caution. He also suggested to Inspector Bloor that it would be a good idea to have the Guard remove to another tank, as "he has had one row before, and now this case."

Japanese Observation
Shanghai, To-day.

A strange report obtained by the Russian authorities alleges that the Chinese Government is giving every assistance to the "White" Russian General Semenoff to organise a "White" Army in Manchuria for carrying out an expedition to the eastern provinces of Siberia. In the event of this expedition being successful (the allegation goes), General Semenoff promises to establish a buffer state there.

This report has aroused indignation in unofficial circles in Moscow to a high pitch but the attitude of the official circles is rather calm.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service

Tokyo, To-day.
Railway authorities have ordered the Tourist Bureau to suspend the sale of the trans-Siberian tickets.—Reuter.

Mukden, To-day.
General Chang Hsueh-liang's armament is feverishly producing munitions. The Chinese authorities seized the Mukden office of the Chinese Eastern Railway Trade Bureau and dismissed the Russian manager.—Reuter.

Clash Denied
Nanking, Yesterday.

The Foreign Office denies the rumours that an actual clash between Russian and Chinese troops

occurred. However, military movements are still reported to be evident on both sides. General Chang

Tschaishan, Tuan of Kirin province, has ordered an additional brigade of Kirin troops to reinforce the lines at Manchuli.

General Chang Hsueh-liang head of the Manchurian Government has wired to General Chang Teo-ming and Wen Fu-lin to the effect that in view of the present strained relations between Russia and China, special attention must be

WAR DEBTS DEBATE RESUMED IN FRENCH CHAMBER

VALIDITY NOT CONTESTED

Paris, Yesterday.
On the resumption of the War Debts debate in the Chamber M. Herriot, on behalf of the Radical Party, did not contest the validity of the Debt Agreements but demanded reservations guaranteeing France's rights.

He drew a distinction between the position of France with regard to the British and American debt, and said that Britain's economic difficulties were due to her participation in the war and must be taken into consideration. But the position of America was different.

He declared that in the liquidation of the Napoleonic war in 1815, Great Britain allowed Austria a 90 per cent. reduction of her debt because Austria had been the principal battlefield.

He asked: "Was not France entitled to the same privilege?" (Cheers).

Reporters of the Finance and Foreign Affairs Committees stated that the point of view of the majority of these Committees was that the Agreement should be ratified with reservations.—Reuter.

FLORIDA BANKS

22 FAILURES IN A FORTNIGHT

\$23,000,000 INVOLVED

Tampa, Fla., Yesterday.

After the failure of a number of Florida banks last week, 14 State banks in the south-west of Florida have closed, making a total of 22 bank failures in Florida within a fortnight.

The deposits involved are estimated at \$23,000,000.

The Comptroller of Banks attributes the failures to unnecessary withdrawals, propaganda, and the mental attitude of the people."—Reuter's American Service.

"REDS" IN TURKEY

SMARTLY DEALT WITH IN CONSTANTINOPLE

SEQUEL TO ROUND-UP

Constantinople, Yesterday.

The Police round-up of Communists in Smyrna and Constantinople in April had had a sequel in the trial of the 35 "Reds" on a charge of disseminating propaganda and attempting to undermine the existing regime.

Twenty-six of the accused were sentenced to 4½ years' imprisonment.—Reuter.

U.S. OF EUROPE

M. BRIAND'S INTERESTING PROPOSALS

London, Yesterday.

Mr. A. Henderson (the Secretary for Foreign Affairs) has received no communication from the French or German Governments concerning M. Briand's proposals for a United States of Europe.

Mr. A. Henderson said in the Commons that he had examined the suggestion that he should consider the publication of an analysis of these and analogous proposals for closer economic and political unity in Europe, made since the war by authorities of a re-organised international standing.—British Wireless Service.

A constable said that he saw the accused throw away half a bucket of water.

The Magistrate said that to use half a bucket of water for cleaning purpose was extravagant. Half a bucket of water to clean each bucket represented a wastage of one bucket of water, and that could not be tolerated.

Accused was fined \$10 or 14 days' jail.

THE "MOVIES"

DEPUTATION TO THE BOARD OF TRADE

London, Yesterday.

The Parliament Secretary to the Board of Trade (Mr. W. R. Smith) received a deputation from the Cinematograph Exhibitors Association to-day, which made certain proposals for securing a greater changeability of pictures on a different reproducing apparatus. He promised that their representations should be given careful consideration and that a further meeting may be held later.—British Wireless Service.

DIPLOMATIC POST

TRANSFERRED FROM BEL- GRADE TO STOCKHOLM

London, Yesterday.

The King has approved the appointment of Sir Howard William Kennard, British Minister at Belgrade, to be British Minister at Stockholm.—British Wireless Service.

THE COLONIES

DEVELOPMENT BILL—SECOND READING

London, Yesterday.

The House of Commons has passed the second reading of the Colonial Development Bill.—Reuter.

DON'T WASTE WATER!

Water Reflections

RUNNING WATER PURER OR STAGNANT?

Information which is sometimes very simple and pointed in its effect comes from most unexpected sources. A weekly publication as an aid to learning the English language has been sent to the "China Mail." One of the chapters is "Scientific Questions Answered." Under the heading of "Why is Running Water Purer than Stagnant Water," Mr. Dzien Tsang (Chin-Tsang in Cantonese) explains:—

Though we think of water as a thing which does not do much, yet, in point of fact, it is always doing things. It is the great supporter of life, in the first place. Also, it is the great dissolver of gases and of solids from the air above it, and from the ground beneath it, and these gases and solids help to sup-

MILITARY "CHESS"

GAME OF NO RULES PLAYED IN FUJIKEN

DANGER OF A LOCAL SOVIET

[From Our Own Correspondent]

Amoy, Monday.

Military chess is now in full swing in the south of Fukien province.

Petty generals and bandit leaders, for some months past, have been manoeuvring for positions of advantage. They advance for attack and then retreat for defence, until more favourable opportunity offers. One by one small pawns succumb. Now and then a principal piece is removed from the board. Rules of the games are commonly disregarded. The old desire for personal power and influence seems to continue paramount. Strength prevails, overriding the desires of the people and the welfare of the public. Numbers of the population die from powder and lead, but more yield to the deadening effects of poverty and distress forced upon them through robbery and plunder of bandits, and the ravenous desires of greedy and uncontrolled soldiers.

Who's Who

The who's who of the present unhappy situation in South Fukien includes four outstanding men. Colonel K. K. Lin, of the Chinese Navy, has for some years been Defence Commissioner of Amoy and Chuanchow. His influence extends over the city and island of Amoy, and the Chuanchow district on the coast of the mainland north of Amoy.

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The western part of the province was given over to General Ch'en Kuo-hui, whose Headquarters was at Lungyenchow.

Self-Nominated Red

Lesser lights have from time to time carried on more or less independently within the mountainous and inaccessible regions. However, one of these is to-day probably the most important figure in the whole situation. He is none other than the self-nominated general, Mao Tso-lung, leader of a band of out-and-out Communists professing allegiance to none.

The position of Colonel Lin in Amoy is fairly secure. In addition to being located well away from the beaten track of moving armies, Amoy is well protected by water. Colonel Lin enjoys the reputation of being a fair and just administrator. He has fostered city and civic improvements and is generally well liked by the public. His influence in Chuanchow and on the mainland may be wrested from him, but it will be rather difficult to oust him from Amoy.

Hasty Retreat

When war recently broke out in Kwangtung against the Kwangsi faction, Generals Chang Chen and Ch'en Kuo-hui obeyed the order of the National Government to proceed against Swatow, where supporters of the Kwangsi faction were stationed. Near Chauchow, these generals from Fukien were jointly and severely (not severely) defeated.

A hasty retreat followed. General Chang Chen reached his base in Changchow with the number of his soldiers considerably reduced, and the loss of several of his best officers. General Ch'en Kuo-hui did not fare so well. During his absence the reputed Communist, Mao Tse-lung (locally called Chu Teh), who had previously laid waste the city and district of Tingchow in the extreme west of Fukien, has entered Langyenchow and duplicated his pernicious work.

Marvelous Additions

These Communists had so freely helped themselves to all food supplies and other convertible wealth in the district that it could scarcely continue to support the populace remaining, not to speak of an army. Therefore, Ch'en Kuo-hui brought his forces to Tong-an, a city on the coast near enough to Changchow to permit him to co-operate with Chang Chen. He is still in Tong-an today.

Next Natural Step

A move toward Foochow would be the next natural step. There and throughout the northern part of the province radical tendencies prevail.

Already the seeds of Communism have been sown and are sprouting. Conditions seem to be ripe for a change. The public is apparently willing to accept

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DEBILITATED CHILD

His Health Abnormalities Examined

(Continued from yesterday.)

The following is a continuation
of the interesting lecture on
"The Debilitated Child" which was
recently delivered by C. Wilfred
Vining, M.D., F.R.C.P., Professor of
Children's Diseases, Leeds University,
and Physician to the Children's
Department, General Infirmary,
Leeds, and was published in the
British Medical Journal:—

it could be said that the eradication
of the germ nest was the lesser
of two evils, notwithstanding the
results which followed. But here
again it should be mentioned that
acute rheumatic chorea, which all
agree is a streptococcal en-
cephalitis, may undoubtedly follow
a shock of any type.

A Comparison

J. H. P. Paton has recently com-
pared children who have had the
operation performed with children
who have not. Both groups of children belong to the
professional and well-to-do class
and are pupils attending a large
boarding school. He writes:

"It is evident that those subjected
to the operation were not only
no better than the rest, but were
actually worse in practically every
particular with the exception of
the enlarged cervical glands."

My own personal impressions
have been that when the local condition
of the throat is obviously un-
healthy and the nasopharynx is ob-
structed, the operation, besides
remedy the local condition, besides
possibly help in deciding the
factors at work causing enlargement
of tonsils and adenoids. There are many who would
estimate the importance of the ab-
normalities of the nasopharynx in
this way. Enlargement of tonsils and
adenoids is common to all classes.
The cause of the enlargement is
repeated infections, to which all are prone. Among those
children who are also debilitated
or whose environment is defective
such reaction to infection is likely
to result in a greater degree of un-
healthiness of the nasopharynx, and it is likely that absorption of
organisms and their toxins will
take place more readily. Hence the more frequent development of symptoms due to
septic absorption amongst these
children. It has been stated that
the reason why Eton boys are free
from rheumatic infection is because
70 per cent. of them have had
their tonsils and adenoids removed
before joining the school.

Results of Operations

During 1922 Kaiser reported from
America the result of the operation
upon the weights of a series of
1,200 children between the ages of
3 and 15 years. He writes:

"They were all urgent cases and
presented themselves for operation
because of throat symptoms, and
not because of malnutrition. As
compared with similar children 7
per cent. were overweight, 59 per
cent. were of average weight, and
34 per cent. were underweight.
After periods of six to nine months
the percentages of these three
weight groups were changed so
that 50 per cent. of the under-
weight group had attained normal
weight."

Obviously diseased tonsils and
adenoids do not necessarily impair
nutrition, but the improvement in
the underweight group after their
removal suggests that they may do so.
Recently Paterson and Bray
have shown that in selected cases removal of
nasopharyngeal infection was followed
by increase of weight and the clearing
up of numerous constitutional
symptoms, apart from any improvement
in the local condition.

Rheumatic Affection

I would, however, remind you that there are other sides of the
problem which require to be set off against these findings and opinions.
In the first place, the numerous disturbances and symptoms which
may appear in conjunction with the unhealthy nasopharynx do frequently
occur in children whose throats show no abnormalities and whose glands at the angle of the
jaw are not enlarged. The

rheumatic affection, including heart lesions, occurs in children
whose throats have been thoroughly cleared. It is not uncommon to find that certain symptoms, such as
enuresis or bilious attacks, cease
immediately after the operation, only to recur again after some
months. This is in keeping with the peculiar way in which these
symptoms will occur for a time in connection with all kinds of psychological stimuli, and certainly
one could instance cases in which
enuresis started for the first time
after the operation; indeed, I need
hardly remind you that this operation
performed upon a nervous child
sometimes accentuates the nervous condition in a most distressing
way. I would also point to the frequency with which aural
discharge follows the operation and to the by no means infrequent development of enlargement of the
cervical glands during the months or years which follow. These unfortunate happenings, and the fact
that acute rheumatism and especially chorea, occasionally follow in the wake of the operation, may, of course, be attributed to the stirring up of a germ nest, with resulting dissemination into the local structures or the system generally, and

Tuberculosis Considered

While discussing the influence of
the toxæmias the question of
tuberculosis must be mentioned.
Many of these children are labelled
as tuberculous or pre-tuberculous.
Some 50 per cent. of them give a
positive skin reaction to tuberculin,
but I am confident that their debility
and their symptoms are not due to tuberculous disease. Watched
over a period of years they do not
behave like tuberculous cases,
and they do not blossom out into
frank cases of tuberculosis during
adolescence. The age-period I am
dealing with is particularly free
from mortality from tuberculosis,
and while risking the criticism of
dogmatism I would say that
frank tuberculosis arising during
adolescence is usually a fresh
infection developed from contact
with another individual with the
disease.

It may very naturally be suggested
that a local gland lesion might
be sufficient to produce a debili-
tating influence and toxæmia. This I
would very much doubt as in my

experience purely local disease,
when obviously present, does not
produce either debility or the kind
of symptoms we have been discussing.

Digestive Disturbances & Debility

A proportion of cases of debility with symptoms referable to
digestive processes could be classified at once as examples of
so-called chronic dyspepsia, and severe cases fall into line with the
"mucus disease" described by the
late Dr. Ernest Smith. But among all these debilitated children
constipation or loose stools—
much more frequently the former
—loss of appetite, abdominal pain,
threadworms, and mucus discharge
occur with considerable frequency,
and it is only when these symptoms
show themselves prominently in the history and
clinical picture that the condition
is labelled "dyspepsia." The word
"dyspepsia" is unsatisfactory, as
it implies local disturbance in the
alimentary tract, and tends to
direct our attention from the wider
and more important basis upon
which the debilitated state develops.
I may instance in this
connection the symptoms of
threadworms. Few fidgety children
escape being treated for worms,
the reason being that parents have
learnt to appreciate how frequently
threadworms appear in the stools of such children. The
parasites may occur temporarily
in the excreta of healthy children,
yet their continued presence is an
indication of an underlying state
of the bowel wall which makes it
possible for the worm to establish
itself. Exactly similar clinical
states are seen in children whose
stools are free from worms, but
which contain large quantities of
mucus material.

The Defence Mechanism

We are dealing, I believe, with a
constitutional and nutritional dis-
turbance in which all the systems
of the body are involved, but in
which the alimentary tract and
digestive function are more par-
ticularly implicated. There is an
impairment of the defence mech-
anism, and a defect both in the
secretion of the different digestive
juices and in the absorbing powers
of the bowel wall. If this view is
accepted then, notwithstanding
the assertion of the bacteriologist
and the pathologist that microbial
and toxic absorption from the in-
testinal tract is unlikely, it is not
unreasonable to believe that many
of these toxæmias arise within the
digestive system.

It is this conception of the de-
bilitated state which leads me to
suggest that we are dealing with a
health defect which belongs to the
group of deficiency diseases.
Authority is always emphasizing
the importance of a better diet for
children, yet when the problems of
subnutrition are investigated
and discussed the im-

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NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.

HAVANA MARU Friday, 19th July.

JAPAN PORTS Wednesday, 24th July.

KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.

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ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report of Wilton's Dock and Yard Co., Rotterdam, states that the dividend received on shares in Wilton's Engineering and Slipway Co. will be one of which are held by the Dock and Yard Co., and the remainder by the Dutch Dockyard & Engineering Co. of Hong Kong Ltd. Representatives from the Owners, Harbour Department, Builders and Machinery Agents were present.

The "Sun Chau" is designed for the Cheung Chau Ferry service and was recently launched at the Taikoo Dockyard by Mrs. Hale.

General Description

The vessel is 120' long, 23'6" beam and 10' moulded depth, and has one complete deck with long bridge. Built to scantlings approved by the Hong Kong Government, the vessel is designed to carry 300 passengers. Electric light is fitted throughout, and all the necessary life-saving appliances required by Government have been supplied and fitted. On trial the vessel proved herself to be an efficient craft.

The building department last year booked orders for a refrigerated cargo and passenger motorship of 12,000 tons from the Holland American Line, for the hull of a cargo motor ship of 9,500 tons for the Rotterdam Lloyd from the Fijenord & Engineering Co., who are constructing the machinery for this ship, a hopper dredger for Netherlands owners, a hopper-suction dredger for the port of Seville, and a bucket dredger for Santander.

Reduced Working Time
From January 1, 1929, permission to work overtime has not been renewed, and the working time has accordingly been reduced from 50 to 48 hours per week.

Considerable sums were again required last year for the extension of buildings and plant. The average number of men employed has increased to 4,122, compared with 3,195 in 1927, and the amount paid in wages has been 6,687,331 g.s., compared with 4,952,118 g.s.

In the company's pontoon docks 486 vessels of 2,506,690 tons have been raised, with 1,519 dock days, and 36 seagoing vessels of 34,968 tons have been repaired on the slipways; 44 ships of 172,781 tons were attended to in the corporation pontoon docks, and 134 river ships have been repaired on the slipways. Three cargo and passenger steamers, built to the orders of the Koninklijke Paketvaart-Maatschappij, and a trawler were completed last year; the engine department completed a marine steam engine of 500 i.h.p. and three boilers of 740 sq. metres heating surface. Work is in hand, in addition to the vessels referred to above, and the work of completing the new Holland-American liner "Standam," at the end of last year included five marine engines of 1,550 i.h.p. and eleven boilers of 1,376 sq. metres heating surface. Co-operation with the Fijenord Co.

The working agreement with Fijenord Shipbuilding and Engineering Co. has given satisfactory results and on board sides there is a desire to run the two works for mutual account. Proposals to carry out this object, which will call for a reorganisation of Wilton's Dock and Yard Co., will be submitted to the shareholders shortly. Close co-operation, under a definite agreement, with possibly a fusion of technical, administrative and other departments, will undoubtedly result in further economies.

After allowing 1,146,854 g.s. for depreciation, compared with 907,205 g.s. for 1927, and adding 100,000 g.s. to miscellaneous reserves and 44,616 g.s. will be carried forward.

The book value of work in hand is 1,769,428 g.s., compared with 1,722,822 g.s. at the end of 1927, and installations received appear at 1,391,928 (462,800) g.s. The nominal value of ordinary shares issued by Wilton's Engineering and Slipway Co. is 1,250,000 g.s., the balance of 4% per cent debenture loan is 420,000 g.s., and of a loan on the 45,000 tons pontoon dock 4,052,878 g.s., while the funds include statutory reserve 1,000,000 g.s., extra reserves 10,500,000 g.s., depreciation fund 4,200,000 g.s., and miscellaneous reserves 400,000 g.s.

Werkspoor Engineering Co.

The annual report for last year refers to the agreement made with Messrs. Sulzer Bros. at the end of last year, under which the Werkspoor Company will, in future build two-cycle Sulzer engines, while, of course, the construction of four-cycle Werkspoor diesel engines will be continued. An agreement has also been made with the Hanover Engineering Company, Hanomag, under which the Werkspoor Company will construct that firm's special type of steam-hydraulic forge. A steam-hydraulic forge of 1,500 tons capacity has been erected at Amsterdam.

The number of men employed at the Amsterdam and Zutphen works at the end of last year was 3,102, compared with 2,956 at the end of 1927, and the amount paid in wages has been 4,364,000 g.s. compared with 3,764,000 g.s. for 1927.

The principal engineering jobs completed last year included direct supplies for the motorships "Hallengard," "Timanier," "Turicum," "Ophir," "Ticonis," "Martha E. Allen" and "Megara," steam engines for the twin-screw steamer "Josephina," and part of the engine-room equipment of the Nederland motor-ship "Christian Huygen." Work in hand at the end of 1928 included complete sets of machinery for a motorship and two steamers, six main diesel engines for five motorships, four turbines for two torpedo boat destroyers and part of the machinery equipment for two large motorships. Other work in hand includes two powerful pumping stations for the work of draining the Zuider Zee.

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In spite of heavy seas, they took off 42 passengers, including the American Consul-General, Mr. Cunningham, and his wife. The U.S. destroyers "Black Hawk" and "Beaver" are standing by. The officers and crew are still aboard.

No Further News

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TAKLIWA	7,936	11th Aug.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
KIDDERPORE	5,334	15th Aug.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
MALWA	10,980	27th Aug.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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ALIPORE	10,000	2nd Aug.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Y'hama & Osaka.
SEAFOUNT	6,969	4th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	7,920	8th Aug.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
NOWSHERA	6,969	8th Aug.	Moji, Kobe.
DALGOMA	5,953	9th Aug.	Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
MOREA	10,963	15th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,949	15th Aug.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KARMALA	6,948	15th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NAGPORE	6,251	1st Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MIRZAPUR	6,715	2nd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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WANTED: A GRACEFUL GESTURE

Miss Wilkinson, M.P., has raised quite an interesting point in the House of Commons, in her statement regarding the sale of Shanghai's Electricity undertaking which until its recent disposal was conducted as a department of Shanghai's International Settlement Municipality. It will be recalled that the concern, which had developed during the past few decades from a small affair into one of the most gigantic and successful electricity undertakings extant, was sold to American financiers operating in conjunction with British concerns for the enormous sum of £1,61,000,000. This, the highest bid offered, was regarded by the Municipal Council as being entirely satisfactory, and their acquiescence with reference to it was subsequently confirmed by the ratepayers in public meeting. The deal was finally settled and the general view in Shanghai and elsewhere appeared to be that the Shanghailanders had done well by the transaction.

According to Miss Wilkinson (who is a Labour M.P.) of the £1,60,000,000 paid for the concern £6,000,000 represented goodwill and was largely the result of expenditure borne by the British taxpayer. Evidently she is re-

ferring to the expense incurred by the British "Shaforce" Expedition of two years ago, which, during the serious crisis in China, undoubtedly maintained the integrity of Shanghai and other parts of China, in which foreigners resided and had considerable property. Miss Wilkinson's contention is that, with this in mind, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs (Mr. A. Henderson) might take into consideration the advisability of inviting Shanghai's International Municipal Council to contribute £3,000,000 towards the expenditure incurred on the Expedition.

The suggestion is undoubtedly eminently reasonable and it would indeed be an admirable "gesture" on the part of the Council were they to acquiesce gracefully in regard to it. Besides, there can be no doubt that the splendid deal made was very largely owing to the fact that the Electricity concern was practically British, established as it had been by a Council that was almost entirely British, from funds supplied by British ratepayers, the vast majority of whom paid the bulk of the money required for a very long period and helped considerably towards its maintenance. To this must be added the fact that from its inception not only the Electricity Department but the actual executive work were in the hands of Britons. For years Mr. T. H. U. Aldridge was (and perhaps still is) the head of the concern, and owing to his work and that of his British staff Shanghai's Electricity plant at Riverside, Yangtzeopoo, became more and more valuable as time passed.

But the International Settlement of Shanghai (the "Model" Settlement) — though virtually British in origin and in many other respects, to-day as in the past, is nevertheless what its name plainly states "International," and that being so, its "duty" to pass over £3,000,000 or any other sum to the British Government as part of the expense incurred on the "Shaforce" Expedition is wholly untenable. The question obviously is fraught with international complications. This, it will be noted from Mr. Henderson's answer to Miss

Wilkinson (printed in our telegraphic news columns elsewhere in this issue) is clearly understood. If, therefore, such a sum or any portion of it is paid by the Shanghai International Municipal Council, it must, of course, come from them acting on behalf of a wish expressed by the ratepayers and determined in public meeting. At the present moment the Council in question is, as customarily, almost wholly British and under the Chairmanship of a Briton, Mr. H. E. Arnold. Should they, therefore, deem it expedient to take the hint thus made (and presumably it is no more than a hint) by Miss Wilkinson, and make the suggestion to their ratepayers, and should it subsequently be approved by the latter, then all will be well. But will they do so? All Shanghailanders were certainly very grateful to the British for the prompt manner in which they sent out so comprehensive and so splendid an expedition, which readily admitted probably saved Shanghai from destruction. But is their gratitude likely to reach the exalted altruism of a contribution of £3,000,000? We very much doubt it.

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This would be very deleterious in two ways:—First, most economists think (and that rightly, we believe) that money expended for goods received or labour performed is more wisely expended than money given where no labour is performed. Secondly, those men thrown out of work by this diversion of money would have to go on to a charity or dole system, and would thus become temporally demoralised.

If Mr. Baylis only means that a few less wreaths be sent, then the proposition need hardly be seriously considered.

If the idea is that all the money at present spent exclusively on wreaths be diverted to other useful and charitable objects, then the first object of charity should be to find work for the hundreds put out of honest work by this wholesale dislocation.

But Mr. Baylis has another string to his bow. The flowers, wreaths, etc., are a waste of money. Mr.

Baylis does not actually say this, but he seems to imply it and others have put this meaning on his letter.

Probably, however, there would be a difference of opinion on this part of the idea. What kind of expenditure of money may reasonably be called "waste of money" is a very difficult economic problem. But money given in charity does not receive much economic support. And most certainly to divert money given for honest labour to charitable objects and thereby throw honest labourers on to the charity list would be quite unjustifiable and indeed quite iniquitous.

I suggest, therefore, that Mr.

Baylis gets a charity organisation (or organisations) to make the wreaths and grow the flowers, and to sell them under the same conditions and at the same price as the flower-sellers do, and let those who wish buy from them. They will gradually elicit the sympathy and custom of the buyers. And in time they will get all the money which at present goes to the flower-sellers.

The advantages which would result are:—(a) It would give a long enough time for the present flower-sellers and flower growers to be absorbed in remunerative occupation elsewhere, and not to have to depend on charity.

(b) It would ensure that some of the recipients of charity organisations were returning from the charity system to the labour market.

(c) It would enable those who feel a sympathetic appropriateness in the fading flower and the departed friend the opportunity of still expressing this sentiment.

Yours, etc.,

C.

ANANIAS ABROAD

AMERICAN'S FAIRY TALE OF
A "TIGER"

AT REPULSE BAY HOTEL!

In an American paper just to hand we find the following fairy tale:

The shooting of a man-eating tiger in the fashionable Repulse Bay Hotel at Hong Kong was related by Robert Madsen, passenger on the "President Jefferson," which arrived in Seattle from Japan yesterday.

The tiger, he said, swam across the bay and crossed the verandah promenade and entered the hotel, snarling, its tawny skin dripping water.

Servants and guests fled in terror, until the fortunate arrival of an armed military policeman saved the situation. He shot the animal as it majestically strode up to the lobby desk.

It may have been the common garden variety of "Hong Kong Tiger" heard at valedictory gatherings at the Naval Dockyard and elsewhere in this Colony!! Mr. Madsen is certainly well named!!

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HEAVY CASUALTIES

EXPLOSION IN YUNNANFU ARSENAL

Peking, Yesterday.

Details from Yunnanfu are coming through slowly.

It appears that the explosion occurred at the arsenal, which is inside the walled city. A thousand people were killed and five thousand injured. A huge number of buildings was destroyed.

So far as is known, Mr. C. A. Kirke, C.B.E., (H.M. Consul-General) was the only British casualty. There were no casualties among the French colony. No news is to hand concerning the Americans. Reuter.

Trouble Explained

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The elements in Yunnan opposing the National Government, led by Hu Tok-yu and Chang Yie-chi, have succeeded in driving out the pro-Government leader, General Lung Yen. The insurgents are now controlling Yunnanfu, the capital of the province.

General Lung Yen has made a hasty retreat to the outside of the province.

Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

The many friends of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dawson will be pleased to know that their son Aubrey has recently been awarded a Holroyd-Musical Scholarship at Keble College, Oxford. Aubrey Dawson was educated at the Bluecoat Boys' School, Hong Kong, and at the Grammar School, Wakefield.

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The next annual picnic of St. Peter's

WAR DECLARED?

(Continued from Page 1.)

"China Will Resist"

He added that there were alarming rumours of military preparations by the Soviet.

"The National Government will resist any such to the end."

He concluded that a certain Power was reported to be attempting to utilise the opportunity for expansion of its interests in Manchuria under the pretext of protecting its existing rights in that territory in regard to which it was seeking to act as mediator. He hoped that such a report would prove to be entirely unfounded.—Reuter.

Dr. Wang Expected

Shanghai, To-day.

It is the belief of Dr. C. T. Wang, Minister for Foreign Affairs, when interviewed by Pressmen on his departure from Tsingtao on his way to Nanking, that actual war between Russia and China will not break out, although the present grave situation seemed to be fraught with possibilities. However, he will know more of the affair on his return to Nanking (said Dr. Wang) and will take proper measures to deal with the situation.

Mr. Wang is expected to arrive at Shanghai this afternoon.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Earlier Japanese View

Mukden, Yesterday.

In the opinion of Japanese diplomatic circles, no anxiety is felt in regard to the development of the Chinese Eastern Railway trouble, as both the Chinese and Soviet Governments are (it is considered) showing moderate attitudes and willingness to enter into negotiations for the peaceful settlement of all issues concerning the Chinese Eastern Railway.

The Manchurian authorities have declared that they will not dismiss any more of the Russian employees of the Railway if the latter refrain from seditions action against the Chinese Government.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Official Japanese circles appear relieved that China has replied to Moscow before the expiry of the three days stipulated in Russia's ultimatum, and seem more confident that a peaceful settlement is now assured.—Reuter.

Eyes on Nippon!

Canton, Yesterday.

A message from Shanghai was received by the Canton Wireless Station. The contents show that the Sino-Russian situation is not as serious as described by recent reports from various sources. The Great Powers are believed to be co-operating to use their influence peacefully to settle this Chinese Eastern Railway problem.

Particular attention, however, is being given to the attitude of Japan.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

One-Sided Abrogation

Moscow, Yesterday.

Earlier passages in the Soviet reply say that the Chinese Government practically rejects the Soviet's three moderates proposal and sanctions a one-sided abrogation of the Peking and Mukden agreements, thus destroying the possibility of normal relations; justifies the seizure of the Chinese Eastern Railway; sanctions the unlawful repressions of Soviet citizens' institutions; and evades the question of an immediate convoking of a conference, thereby destroying the possibility of an amicable settlement.—Reuter.

Canton's "A Way Out"

Canton, Yesterday.

The Cantonese are taking a calm attitude in regard to the present strained situation between China and Russia. They believe a way will be found by the National Government in Nanking for an amicable settlement of the matter in dispute. The Chinese papers have, in general, refrained from commenting on the possible outcome of the present situation in Manchuria.—Canton News Agency.

Chang Hsueh-liang

Peking, Yesterday.

In spite of the grave state of affairs in Manchuria, General Chang Hsueh-liang (head of the Government of the Three Provinces) still remains at Peitaiho, the summer resort near Peking.

Harbin appears to be flooded with rumours concerning troop movements across the frontier regarding which very little reliable information is available.

Foreign travellers arriving at Harbin from Europe (by the trans-Siberian Railway) report heavy Russian troop movements between Lake Balkal and Manchuria.—Reuter.

Yesterday's News

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Latest information from reliable sources shows that the Soviet has decided to adopt a conciliatory attitude towards China regarding the Chinese Eastern Railway problem, in spite of previous reports pointing to the contrary. It is hoped here that the strained relations between Russia and China will be eased.

Reports from Harbin contradict the rumour that Russian troops are

NAVAL POLICY

STATEMENT AS TO BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS

THE "SUBS." QUESTION

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LARGE COLLECTION LOST AT SEA

UNLUCKY RAFFLES

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At Singapore

The Company, prompted by him, bought the island from the Sultan of Johore, and on February 29, 1819, Raffles raised the British flag there and became first Governor. There is a bust of him, a replica of the one in the lion house at the Zoo, in the Raffles Institution, Singapore.

Raffles left Singapore on June 14, 1823, and spent six months in making a map of Sumatra. February 2, 1824, when he sailed for Home, was, he said, the happiest of his life. The next day was the unhappiest.

During the many years he spent in the East, Raffles had assembled an array of animals, birds, fishes, and plants more splendid than any hitherto gathered together.

A lot of these he sent Home in advance when he left Singapore, but the best of them he kept to take under his personal charge in a ship which was coming from England fitted especially to accommodate them.

For weeks he loaded the "Fame" with living and dead specimens. Perhaps he exaggerated, but he said that there was scarcely an unknown Eastern animal, bird, fish, or plant, which he had not got aboard.

Precious Cargo Lost

He put on the ship also 2,000 drawings, notes he had prepared for years an zoology and on the history of all the islands of the Eastern Archipelago, his map of the foundation of Singapore and of his administration there, native books, dictionaries, etc., in short, material for half a dozen volumes he intended to write during his retirement.

But before the ship had been a day at sea a cry of "Fire" was heard, and as it contained gunpowder Raffles and his family, in their night attire and without food, water, or clothing, scrambled into a boat, and by the lurid glare of the burning ship rowed for shore.

Not a single thing was saved. In an hour the fruit of years of loving labour perished. The ship itself was insured, all the Company had on board was a few tons of salt-petre, and the whole of the loss sustained, estimated at \$30,000, fell on Stamford Raffles. But his fortitude was remarkable.

Champagne for Bear

Not for a moment did he repine,

and the very day he landed he started to make another map of Sumatra and dispatched shikaris into the jungle to capture some more animals.

On the voyage home he committed to writing what he could remember of all he had prepared. It was from the mansion he bought at Highwood, near Barnet, that he sent out circulars asking support to establish a collection of living animals in the Metropolis, and there he kept such animals as the shikaris had managed to get by the time he tried his luck at sea once more. One was a bear that he dined with champagne when it was dined.

He gave many specimens to the Society when it started in Bruton Street. But he often thought how much greater a contribution he could have made but for the fate that overcame his "Noah's Ark."

He died suddenly on July 5, 1826, and lies buried in a spot not exactly known, in Hendon Churchyard.

STUDY YOUR CHILD

PAY ATTENTION TO HIS HOBBIES

THOUGHTLESS PARENTS

Right through their school lives—and often after—children are ardent devotees to the hobby.

They have it, like measles, in season and out of season. They have huge collections of stamps and cigarette cards, make horrible chemical smells in the scullery, photograph every available object within a radius of ten miles, or persist in blowing themselves up in their bedrooms.

And, considering the amount of real enjoyment that a child can get from a hobby, it seems rather a pity that thoughtless parents so often "put a stopper on it." Of course, it is rather aggravating to have one's dusters covered with chemical stains, or a smell of white mice in the boot cupboard; but, all the same, if a child is to develop naturally he must be allowed to have his hobbies.

"More Horrible"

And, for the delight of parents, the more intelligent and energetic the child, the more hobbies he will have and the more horrible they will be, very probably!

You can't bottle up a child, "To-day—Queen's Theatre; Excess Baggage."

To-day—World Theatre; "Resurrection."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Steamboat Bill Jr."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Ramona."

Lammet's Auctions
July 20—At 241, Nathan-rd, (Top Floor) Kowloon, valuable household furniture, 11 a.m.

You see, a child can be studied through his hobbies. He can be encouraged and helped so that the hobby becomes, unconsciously, a valuable lesson that will remain with him all his life. Naturally, he chooses the hobbies that most appeal to him, and through them his future life and work can be glimpsed.

Instinct Serving
The instinct to care for some live object, for instance, is very strong in most children. They like to keep a dog or a canary, or something queer like blind worms or piebald rats. And, too, many a boy has made quite a sum of pocket-money by keeping rabbits or hens, or by managing a small garden profitably.

Well, of course, rats are not particularly pleasant when they get loose, and one is encountered on the stairs, and white mice smell abominably; but, all the same, it's wiser to try and arrange matters somehow. A mother who has brought up five sons successfully, stated once that she never forbade animals, but that she always had a serious talk with the son beforehand.

She said: "I don't mind rabbits, but they must be cleaned out regularly on certain days. They must be fed regularly at certain hours. You are absolutely responsible for them. If you forget them, they will probably die. If you neglect them on any occasion whatever they will be sold, if alive, and you will not be allowed to keep any other animals at all."

A Responsibility

And she is convinced that to shoulder a responsibility like that is good for the child. Too many parents find, after a few weeks, that they are expected to look after the now-neglected animals. To do so is very unwise.

Even the tragic death of a pet has its practical side; it brings home to the child as nothing else could do a sense of his responsibilities.

Useful Side

Practically every hobby has its useful side. Stamp-collecting gives a wide knowledge of countries and people, if daddy takes an interest in the collection, too. A magazine club can mould the character of an already "literary" child. A passion to take things to pieces, and to put them together again is indeed a curse on any family, but the worst offender ever known in that line is now a brilliant young engineer with a four-figure salary.

Photography can become a hobby that pays. One of the best-known press photographers has taken photographs practically all his life. He was camera-mad at school.

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WATER SUPPLY

A CORRECTION: KOWLOON'S FIGURES

"EMERGENCY" DETAILS

The following paragraph appeared as part of an article in yesterday's "China Mail":—

"With 12 hours' restriction, Kowloon consumes about 20 million gallons of water a week (not counting the quantity transported to Hong Kong). But there is not much difference between a 12 hours' supply and a 24 hours per day supply to double the consumption. It is estimated that the quantity used per day as from this evening, in Kowloon, will be just about 30 million gallons a day."

Owing to a slip of the pen, the very last word *day* should, obviously, have been *week*.

The Tank Supply.

The amount of water brought into Hong Kong by ships in transit during the week ended July 14 was 13,484 tons (equivalent to 3.02 million gallons), all of which was placed in brick and steel tanks along the Praya wall.

The tanks on Connaught-road Central from Cleverly-street to the iron tank at Douglas Wharf have all been coupled from the wharf with a pumping main to enable the tanker "Fu Kwang" to pump whilst lying alongside into each of all these tanks.

A pumping unit has been installed on the Praya East to enable all tanks in the vicinity of No. 12 to be filled direct.

The tug "Perla" under charter, has been installed with a pump which will greatly increase the means of emptying fighters when she is not being used as a tow-boat.

All tanks from No. 1 at Davis-street to the Western Market iron tanks were handed over from the control of the Emergency Control Office to the Waterworks Office on July 15, but the Control Office retains charge of all remaining tanks from Cleverly-street to Douglas Wharf and also those on the Praya East.

Other Sources

A visit was paid to the Tai Shui Hang police launch supply where work was completed on July 15, although the supply has been in use since July 10.

Excellent progress has been made with Sham Ching ("Ruttonjee") supply and an early completion here is expected. A preliminary survey was made on July 14 with regard to increasing this available source and it is hoped that report will be ready shortly.

The Douglas Steamship Co., with their three steamers bringing water from Foochow, and the River steamers "Paul Beau" and "Charles Hardouin," which moor each evening at the Po Tak wharf, are still bringing supplies which are delivered direct to the tanks without charge to the Colony. No more water is being brought from Japan and Shanghai etc., at least for the time being.

Two supply stations, namely, those in Wellington-street and at Victoria nullah near Arsenal-street, have been handed over to the Sanitary Department for control, and are now in operation. Chlorination is being effected by a special staff. The third installation, in Tai Hang village, will be handed over almost immediately. Meanwhile the construction of the chlorinating tanks for other nullah supplies proceeds apace.

Happy Valley & Kowloon

Levels were taken in connection with the Happy Valley scheme, and the positions of the tanks were marked on the slope of Morrison Hill. The advent of the rail led to a postponement of actual constructional work, but it has now been decided that operations are to proceed without further delay.

As the water problem in Kowloon is now less acute, the head of the Sanitary Department is considering the use of certain emergency drinking supplies for house cleaning and similar purposes. Water stand pipes may be erected within the next few days in connection with the Honamtin well supply, and also in connection with the well at the South China Knitting Factory.

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\$15,000 WON IN STAKES BY GIN SLING

BANKRUPT'S STORY

The public examination of John Eleazar Johannes was resumed in the Bankruptcy Court Singapore, on July 5 before Mr. Justice Deane.

In answer to the Assistant Official Assignee (Mr. T. B. Cocker), examinee said that in partnership with others he had owned the local race-horses Gin Sling, Horace L., Speed Arrow, Master Warkon and Phillipa. The other partners were his brother (Mr. B. E. Johannes) and Mr. F. C. d'Almeida. The racing partnership originated with d'Almeida's sole ownership of Warkon, for which he paid £100, towards the end of 1921. Examinee did not pay cash for his share in the partnership. When it was decided to give up racing, examinee's share of the losses was \$3,000.

Mr. Cocker: You might be described as "loss partner."

Examinee said his wife paid his share of the losses. Gin Sling was drawn at the Singapore Turf Club by B. E. Johannes in 1922, and he paid £100 for it. Gin Sling was the best horse of the lot. He brought in \$15,000 in stakes. Speed Arrow, a pony, was drawn the same time as Gin Sling, and £75 was paid for him. He brought in \$6,000 or \$7,000. Horace L. was bought in Java by Mr. F. C. d'Almeida for about \$2,500 or \$3,000. He brought in \$5,000. Phillipa was bought at the same time as Horace L. for about the same price. She died.

Mr. Cocker: So you appear to have won about \$26,000. Against that you have the cost of the horses, \$14,500. What was the uptake?

Examinee: About \$100 a month each. Master Warkon was the one that caused all the trouble. We had him for two years. Gin Sling and Speed Arrow we had for a year.

Examinee, proceeding, said they had on an average three of the horses running at each meeting. The upkeep of all the horses was \$400 a month. The \$100 a month for each horse included the payment to the trainer, who—*together with the jockey, got a present of about \$100 each when a horse won.*

Mr. Cocker: And I suppose you betted as well? When did you begin?

Examinee said his largest bet was the purchase of 40 tickets, 20 for a win and 20 for a place.

Mr. Cocker: Do not conceal these things. They are bound to come out. Did you not make private bets?

Examinee said he did not.

Mr. Cocker: Do you swear to that? Yes, I do.

Examinee added that his brother, B. E. Johannes bet to about the same extent. As far as examinee knew F. C. d'Almeida also did not indulge in private bets.

In reply to Mr. Cocker witness said all the gambling he had indulged in was bridge at a quarter of a cent point.

"No Roulette in Singapore"

Mr. Cocker: Do you swear you have not gambled at roulette?

Examinee replied that there was no roulette in Singapore. He did play poker but he did not gamble on the results of football matches.

Mr. Cocker: Now, do not try to hide these things. What did you go to the football matches for?

Examinee replied that hundreds of people went to football matches without betting on them. He had been a player at school.

Asked whether it was true that he gambled on the results of boxing matches, examinee said he had not attended any in Singapore.

Mr. Cocker: To gamble on them, it is not necessary that you should attend them.

Witness denied that he had gambled on them, or that he had played Chinese card games of chance for stakes. He added

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brother ran the business at a profit of \$1,200.

His Lordship: After paying off the \$8,000?

Examinee said that was so. The previous owner, had been defrauded to the extent of \$7,000 by dishonest employees. That was why she sold.

Mr. Cocker: And after 11 months you turned it into a limited liability company. What moved you to do that?

Examinee replied that he and his brother had personal debts. Examinee owed \$50,000, including his note to Mr. A. M. Sarkies. Examinee's brother's debts must have amounted to about \$90,000 including his brother's note to Mr. A. M. Sarkies.

Mr. Cocker: Mr. Sarkies' idea was that in the event of your going bankrupt, there would remain the company? That may be so.

The examination was further adjourned.—Straits Times.

LIFE SAVING

EXAMINATION OF POLICE CANDIDATES

STANDARD GOOD

An examination for the Professional Certificates and Bronze Medallions of the RLSS was held yesterday. The party proceeded by launch to Lyemun where they were joined by the instructors, L/Edt. W. Adams and Gnr. T. Hallstone of the R.A. There were thirteen candidates presented, the partner for the odd man being C. S. Hunt, who has rendered valuable assistance with these classes, and is now instructing a class himself.

Eleven candidates obtained both the awards, fulfilling all the necessary tests to the Examiner's satisfaction:

P/S. R. W. Ritchie, L/S J. A. R. May, S/L A. E. Carey, L/S L. J. Wagland, L/S. F. E. Howarth, L/S. A. E. Banks, L/S. C. W. Brand, L/S. T. A. Hughes and Cpls. Ali Mohammed E321, Fattah Haider Shah B290 and Hasham Khan, E50.

The weather conditions were ideal for the tests and the general standard of the candidates was good.

THE "ABATO"

ONLY TWO SURVIVORS PICKED UP

Valparaiso, Yesterday. Only two survivors have been picked up, of a crew of forty which went down on the Chilean transport, "Abato," which sank during a severe storm off Valparaiso. The vessel foundered before vessels speeding in response to the S.O.S. signals were able to assist.

The thankoffering fund in London for hospitals, including the £105,000 gift of "Audax," amounted to £359,768.

American Athletes



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CHILE TO-DAY

COMING NATION OF SOUTH AMERICA

GREAT AMBITIONS

Most people who have never visited South America consider life on that Continent to be very precarious. People in the Old Country picture to themselves deeds of violence, knifings, shooting affairs, and imagine that South America is a wild spot generally. Those ideas may have been all right twenty or thirty years ago, but they are very much out of date today. South America is half of the New World, and as such can teach chaotic Europe many things so far as law and order are concerned.

It is unnecessary to write very much concerning the geographic conditions of Chile. It is sufficient to remind our readers that the Republic is a long narrow strip 2,500 miles in length, and at its broadest part it is but 200 miles. The nature of the climatic conditions varies from the tropical desert "Pampa" of the north to the very wet southern region. Almost every kind of productive activity is pursued within those two thousand five hundred odd miles of coastline, from the nitrate "Oficinas" and mines of the north, to the richly fertile agricultural and pastoral land of Southern Chile.

One of the first things that General Carlos Ibáñez did when he became President of the Republic in May, 1927, was to identify his opponents as "Enemies of the Country." That, of course, is an old dodge, but as a political weapon it is most effective.

Many of our readers will remember that during the War many of the members of the present Labour Cabinet were also identified as "Enemies of the Country," and their opposition became very easily quashed. In the case of Chile the smothering of all opposition in 1927 was also pardonable because it was likewise a national necessity. The Ibáñez Administration was given Chile more than two years of well ordered government, and it has started the Republic well on the way to become a great industrial State. Chile has great ambitions in that direction, and she has certainly set about industrialising herself in a very business-like fashion. By placing heavy duties on all imported goods, the national industries have been fostered; so much so, that, foreign producing concerns have realised that their prices are all wrong, and have therefore gone to Chile and have set up their own factories inside the country.

The future for Chile is very promising. She has untold mineral wealth in the Andes in the North—her manufacturing concerns are working efficiently and the rich vineyards and pasture lands of the South have great possibilities. Finally, it must be remembered that the Chileans themselves are a highly cultured and industrious people, and therefore it is quite certain that Chile is the coming country of the Continent where there will be great economic developments in the near future. Contributed.

The weather conditions were ideal for the tests and the general standard of the candidates was good.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

A NEW ROLE FOR WILLIAM HAINES

"EXCESS BAGGAGE"

William Haines, who has hitherto been associated only with the broadest farce, has an entirely different role in "Excess Baggage," a remarkable story of stage life, which will be screened from to-day to Saturday at the Queen's Theatre.

The story concerns the adventures of a theatrical married couple who fail to reach stardom together, but win success individually. They become estranged, although they still love each other, and the dramatic manner in which their problem is solved before the audience in one of the biggest theatres in New York is one of the most unusual climaxes ever screened from to-day to advance reports.

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has spared no expense to make this film one of its big successes. James Cruze, the director of the "Covered Waggon," is largely responsible for the success of the picture. The story was adapted from the well-known stage success by John McGowan.

The supporting cast was chosen with care, and includes Ricardo Cortez, Kathleen Clifford, Greta Garbo, Neely Edwards, and Cyril Chadwick.

FRENCH CHAMBER

GOVERNMENT HAVE A SECOND SUCCESS

M. POINCARE INDISPOSED

Paris, Yesterday. The Government had a second success when the Chamber by 350 votes to 238 rejected the motion of M. Leon Blum for adjournment of the ratification question.

It is reported that M. Poincare is suffering from a slight temperature due to overwork, as a result of his 14-hour speech, and yesterday's 12-hour debate in the Chamber in the tropical heat.

His doctor has ordered him to rest, but he expects to return to the Chamber to-morrow.—Reuter.

THE "BREMEN"

46,000 TON LINER LEAVES FOR NEW YORK

MAIDEN TRIP

Bremenhaven, Yesterday. The new Norddeutscher Lloyd 46,000 ton liner "Bremen" started to-day on her maiden trip to New York.

Advertisements proclaim she will do the trip in five days, though the management state there is no intention of trying to beat the "Mauretania's" record.

The "Bremen" carries 1,800 passengers and 900 crew.—Reuter.

EXPLORATION

SUCCESSFUL DUTCH EFFORTS IN TIBET

Bombay, Yesterday. The Dutch explorer, Herr P. G. Visser, has returned to Leh, Kashmir, having successfully carried out the first part of an expedition to the Karakoram Mountains, in Tibet.

Herr Visser explored and mapped the hitherto unknown Upper Bubra, the principal range of the Karakoram. He discovered many glaciers, one of which was over 80 kilometres in extent.—Reuter.

THE "PATHFINDER"

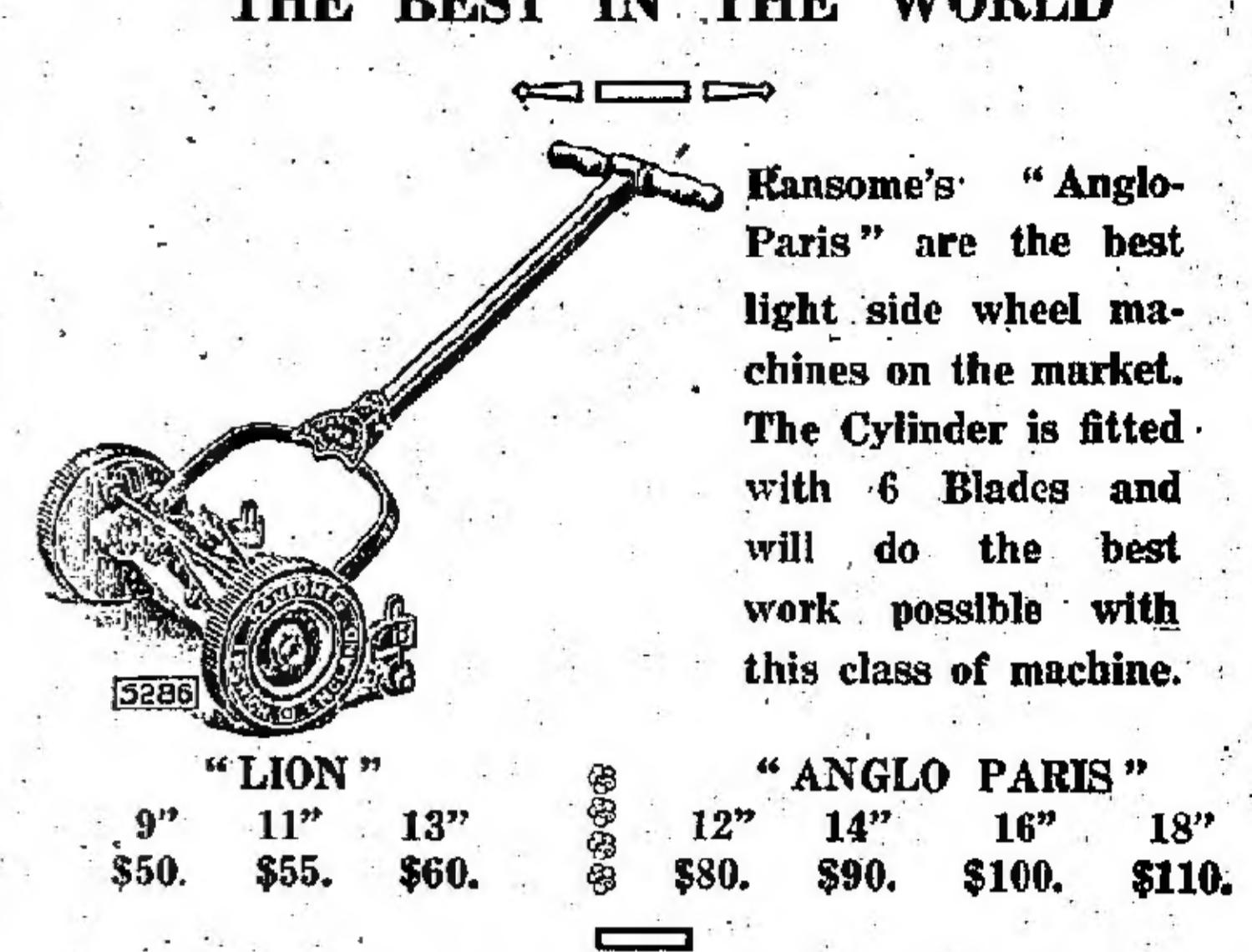
Le Bourget, Yesterday. The aeroplane "Pathfinder," (which recently crossed the Atlantic from U.S.A.) has arrived at Paris.—Reuter.

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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Home Again



Thomas A. Edison, world famous inventor, steps from the train halo and hearty after a long vacation at Fort Meyers, Fla. Most of his time was spent in experiments on rubber plants. He is going to be busy now selecting a young American from competitive examinations for the privilege of working as his protege.

Five-Letter Hubby



William H. Gardner, at present a stock broker, but formerly a five-letter athletic star at Rutgers College, sure is a lucky fellow. Just look at Miss Doris Vinton, above, former Follies girl, who has promised to be his bride. Athletics and athletics are just her hobby.

'Plane Comes to Grief



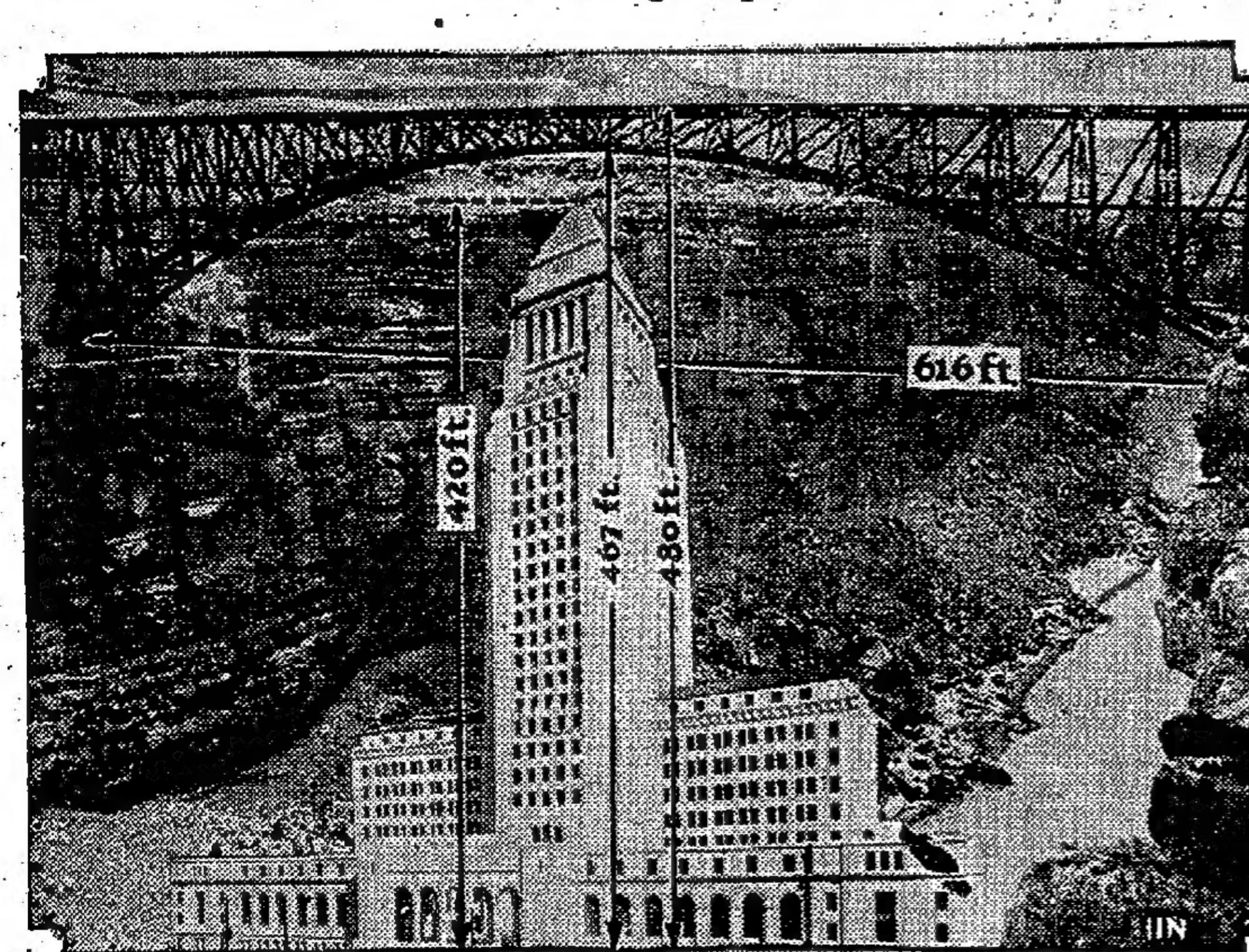
The new Sikorsky amphibian plane "Washington" was all set to blaze a passenger-mail plane route from New York to Buenos Aires, but at its first stop the ship found difficulty in arising on the muddy field at Santiago as it took off for Havana, and it crashed telephone wires before gaining sufficient altitude. The plane was completely destroyed by flames, but two passengers and two flyers survived.

Channel Air Crash



Forced down en route from Croydon Field, to Le Bourget Field, Paris, the air liner, "City of Ottawa," crashed into the English Channel with the loss of seven lives, among whom was Adolph Meister, inset, of Garfield, N.J. The plane, sister ship of the "City of Glasgow," shown above, signalled to channel craft for help, which reached the plane soon as it hit the water, but not soon enough to save all.

Giant Bridge Spans Canyon



Many an Indian brave and squaw rubbed their eyes in wonderment to see the giant Colorado Canyon spanned by a bridge at Lees Ferry, Colo. Their forefathers had fought against the stream many times trying to cross in the treacherous eddies. Now they ride quietly over the top on this latest engineering triumph. This composite picture shows how the Lees Ferry bridge compares with the Los Angeles City Hall.

\$500,000,000 Farm Bill



In an effort to solve the surplus crop situation through a series of stabilisation corporations, Senator Chas. S. McNary of Oregon and Representative Gilbert N. Haugen of Iowa have fought for years for the passage of a farm relief measure and have at last succeeded in getting Hoover's signature to the Bill which embodies authorisation for an appropriation of \$500,000,000. Left to right, front row: Sen. McNary; Vice-President Chas. Curtis; President Hoover; Rep. Nicholas Longworth and Rep. Gilbert N. Haugen.

Husband Condemned



Wrecked with grief, Mrs. Henry Colin Campbell heard Judge Case at Elizabeth, N.J., sentence her husband to the electric chair for the murder of Mrs. Mildred Mowry. Mrs. Campbell is shown above with a friend being led from the jail at Trenton after being refused permission to see her husband.

Please Hurry!



Mrs. Dorothy Parker Assolant could hardly wait while her passport was made out which let her go to meet her hero husband in Paris. Married to Jean Assolant less than a week before he hoped to Paris with his companions in the "Yellow Bird," she chafed at the slight delays which held her in America.

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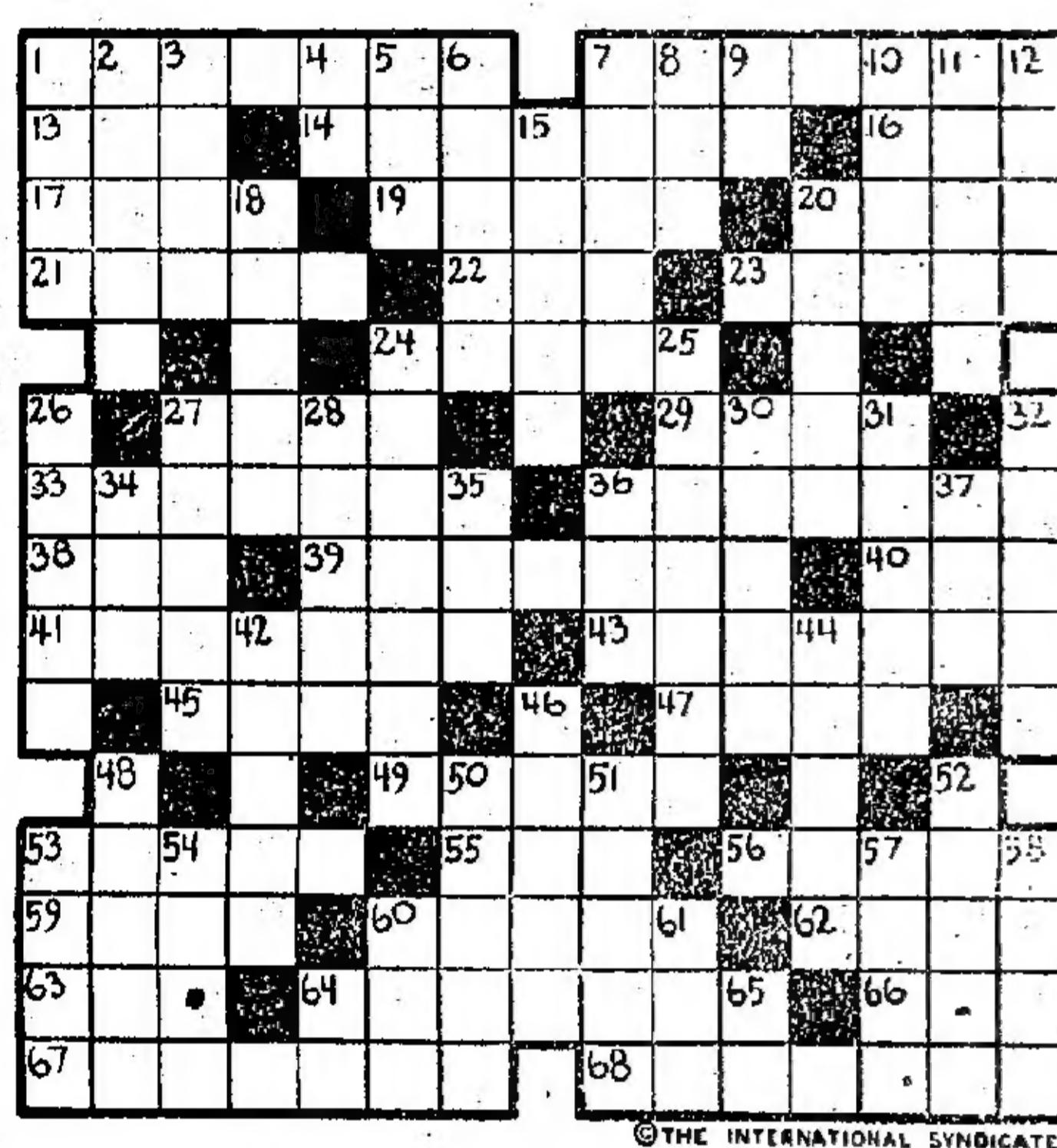
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HORIZONTAL

- 1-Ashore
- 7-Chauffeurs
- 13-Percieve
- 14-Gatherings
- 16-Garri-
- 17-Was aware of
- 18-Studied
- 20-Constructed
- 21-Closed conveyance
- 22-Molat
- 23-Having better judgment
- 24-Grind together
- 27-Ring
- 29-Retired
- 30-Entertained
- 36-Empress of Russia
- 38-Consume
- 39-Tropical bird (pl.)
- 40-Firearm
- 41-Ancient chemistry
- 43-Careful eating
- 45-Timid animal
- 47-Once (post)
- 48-Inheritance
- 52-Tricks
- 55-Fasten

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 50-Fortified
- 51-Protected
- 52-Thick
- 53-Protect
- 54-Employ
- 55-Pertaining to tongue
- 56-Decade
- 57-Muscles
- 58-Rubbers
- 59-VERTICAL
- 1-Requests
- 2-Small Spanish horse
- 3-Kind of grass
- 4-Toward the top
- 5-Short sleep
- 6-Die in water
- 7-Seat sparingly
- 8-A collar
- 9-Exults
- 10-Periods of time
- 11-More impolite
- 12-Prophet
- 15-Pay for another's enjoyment
- 18-A liquid
- 20-Skinflint
- 24-Gloved

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 25-Quicker
- 26-Sea
- 27-The mind
- 28-A color
- 30-Lower
- 31-Finger
- 32-Hangs
- 33-Marine nickname
- 34-Parched
- 35-Spread to dry
- 37-Holy woman
- 42-Dictests
- 44-Former Russian ruler (pl.)
- 46-Sway back and forth
- 48-Moncy bag
- 50-Indulgences
- 52-Put off
- 53-Put to flight
- 54-Perceived
- 55-Marry
- 58-Lair
- 60-Clamor
- 61-Organ of the head
- 64-Behold
- 65-Musical note

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

TO-DAY'S RADIO

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The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government Broadcast Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres.

5.30-6.30 p.m.—Programme of Dance Music, (Brunswick records supplied through the courtesy of the Sincero Co., Ltd.).

7.45 p.m.—Evening weather report.

8 p.m.—Evening programme of Chinese Music relayed from the Sincero Co., Ltd. Programme consists of music given by well-known girl singers and the staff of Sincero Co., Radio Department.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

At the wedding of Mr. H. J. Harris to Miss Harries Wright Smithson at Penang, while Miss Gwendoline Jones was bridesmaid, Miss C. Reid was matron of honour and Mr. E. A. Staines bestman. Dr. J. W. Adams, acting C.M.O., Penang, gave the bride away and the Rev. Keppele Garmer officiated. A reception was held at the sisters' quarters, General Hospital, where Miss Reid was the hostess. The honeymoon is being spent at Brastagi.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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PRINCE CAROL

PROJECTED COUP D'ETAT IN ROUMANIA

Bucharest, July 10. Documents allegedly confiscated by the Government in a round-up of military conspirators against the present regime implicated exiled former Crown Prince Carol in a projected coup d'état.

According to an announcement by the Government to-day, the documents comprised proclamations to the people and to the army, all signed "in the name of His Majesty, King Carol II." It was said that Prince Carol gave his consent to the plot.

Several arrests have been made. Quiet prevails throughout Roumania. Associated Press.

CLAYS OF COLONY

RESULTS OF A GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

POTTERY TRIALS

The following report of a geological survey of the Colony in regard to clays from certain districts, has been issued as a White Paper:—

Clay and Kaolin From Hong Kong

The samples which are the subject of this report were sent to the Imperial Institute by His Excellency the Governor, Hong Kong, and referred to in his letter of December 8, 1927.

It was required that the materials, which had been forwarded at the request of Dr. R. W. Brock, Dean of the Faculty of Applied Science, University of British Columbia, should be tested as to their suitability for higher-grade clay products and wares.

Results of Examination

White Clay.—The sample consisted of 31 lb. of a fairly soft whitish clay, in the form of small lumps. It was of rather poor plasticity when mixed with water.

Pottery Trials

Unwashed Clay.—For use in these trials a quantity of the clay was ground to pass a sieve containing 120 meshes per linear inch. It was noticed that the material was easy to grind and that no elongation of the mill took place.

An attempt to mould thin-walled vessels from the ground clay proved unsuccessful, the clay being only slightly plastic and having practically no binding power.

The formation of pieces of a less fragile nature by pressing the moist clay in plaster moulds was somewhat easier, but the unfired ware was extremely weak and very difficult to handle.

It was thought that finer grinding might possibly improve the working properties of the clay, and a further quantity of the sample was therefore ground to pass a sieve having 180 meshes per linear inch.

Trials with this finer material showed that although a certain amount of improvement was effected by this treatment, the clay was still deficient in plasticity and would not be adapted for moulding by the usual methods.

Washed Clay.—A quantity of the raw clay was roughly crushed to about 1/4 in. mesh, and then blanched in a laboratory washing mill with about five times its weight of water.

On account of the comparatively fine nature of the impurities contained in the raw clay, it was found necessary, in order to ensure that the impurities were thoroughly freed from clay, to reduce the rate of flow of the clay and water entering the blunger below that which could be successfully employed when washing a crude kaolin. After leaving the blunger the slip was allowed to settle and the separation of clay from the impurities was thereby effected.

It was found that this separation was somewhat difficult on account of the fine state of division of the non-clayey particles.

The results obtained from this test

showed that the crude material yielded 56.6 per cent. of clay, and 43.4 per cent. of residue.

The washed clay was a fairly good texture and colour, though not dead white.

It worked well in all the tests to which it was submitted. The residue consisted mainly of kaolinised felspar and a little quartz.

Partial analyses of the washed and unwashed clay show that there is little difference in chemical composition between the washed and unwashed materials, but there was a considerable difference in their physical characteristics, the washed material being very much more plastic.

Vessels made from the neat washed clay, after being fired to a temperature of 1050°C. for 6 hours, were strong and of a fairly good colour and free from "iron spots."

Some of the test pieces, however, had cracked badly, and in all cases there was a strong tendency to warp.

Earthenware Mixtures

A number of test pieces were made from each of the earthenware mixtures tabulated below.

The unwashed clay used in these experiments was ground before use to pass a sieve having 120

meshes per linear inch.

The clay used in the tests was ground to pass a sieve containing 60 meshes per linear inch, but attempts to mould this material by means of the jigger and jolly machine were unsuccessful, the clay being practically devoid of plasticity and possessing very little binding power.

In order to determine whether finer grinding would improve the properties of the clay a further quantity of the material was ground to pass a 100-mesh sieve.

It was found, however, that although a considerable improvement in the working properties of the clay had been effected it was still lacking in plasticity and difficult to work, but with care it was possible to produce fairly good pressed pieces.

Further trials were then made with a mixture of 90 per cent. clay + 10 per cent. ball clay, both clays being previously ground to pass a 100-mesh sieve.

The addition of ball clay effected a great improvement, and this mixture worked well on the wheel, it being possible to mould small thin-walled vessels with ease.

Test pieces made from this mixture and fired at 1050°C. were hard and strong, with a good "ring."

It was noticed that an increase in the firing temperature to between 1120°C. and 1140°C. produced impermeable ware of a dark brown colour, with no distortion in shape.

This ware was strong and very hard, and if covered with a suitable leadless glaze would possibly be suitable for kitchen ware.

The test pieces at 1050°C. could readily be covered with a lead glaze.

It was also found that the ware was suitable for covering with a white slip, one application completely coating the vessels.

Summary and Conclusion

(a) White Clay.—Good earthenware can be made from the washed clay, with or without the addition of ball clay, but this latter material renders the earthenware mixture rather more easily to work. It appears unlikely that the use of the unwashed clay for earthenware mixtures would be commercially possible owing to its tendency to crack and to the presence of surface defects caused by ferruginous particles.

Bone clay may also be made from this material, the most successful mixture employed being one that included both the washed clay and ball clay, a strong biscuit of good colour being produced.

(b) Red Clay.—This clay, owing to its colour, is not adapted for many of the purposes to which a white clay can be applied.

The mixtures made with the washed clay worked well on the wheel and gave good results when pressed in plaster moulds.

Those made from the unwashed clay were somewhat less plastic and more care in moulding was necessary when the washed clay was employed.

It was found that the addition of the ball clay, as shown in table above, gave a great improvement to the working properties of the mixtures.

The fired ware was strong and hard, with the exception of that made from mixture C. Increasing the firing temperature of testpieces made from that mixture gave no improvement in strength, but on the contrary a tendency of the ware to crack was observed.

Glazing Tests on Earthenware

Biscuits were made from mixtures A, B, and D was glazed with both opaque and transparent felspathic and lead glazes.

No difficulty was experienced in the application of the glazes, which adhered well to the biscuit. An attempt to glaze biscuit made from mixture C was less successful, as the application of any glaze tended to weaken the body.

Stoneware

Impenetrable pottery, similar to stone, was produced from mixtures A and B by increasing the firing temperature to 1250°C. The total shrinkage of 11.2 per cent. and 11.8 per cent., respectively, were not excessive for a semi-vitreous body of this nature.

The ware was strong and a felspathic glaze maturing at a high temperature could be satisfactorily applied.

China Mixtures

The following bone-china mixtures were made, the unwashed clay used in the experiments being ground to 120 mesh as in the case of the material used for the earthenware trials.

Mixture E Mixture F

per cent. per cent.

Washed clay 30 25

Unwashed clay 0 0

Bone ash 35 35

Cornish stone 35 35

Ball clay 0 5

Mixture G Mixture H

per cent. per cent.

Washed clay 30 25

Unwashed clay 30 20

Bone ash 35 35

Ball clay 0 10

All mixtures with the exception of G could be moulded easily and after firing yielded good hard biscuit ware.

Mixture G was not of a very plastic nature and a considerable amount of care was necessary in moulding, whilst the unfired ware was weak and somewhat difficult to handle without breakage.

The first test pieces made from this mixture were rather weak, and in some cases a number of fine surface cracks were produced.

Applications of lead and felspathic glazes to biscuits made from mixtures E, F and H were in all cases satisfactory.

Red Clay

This sample consisted of 59 lb. of a moderately hard reddish-brown mottled clay, only slightly plastic when mixed with water.

A preliminary washing test of the red clay showed that it contained about 25 per cent. of clay and 75 per cent. of residue, the latter apparently consisting of indurated clay generally of a pink colour.

In view of the small amount of plastic clay contained in this sample, and of the comparatively low price of terra cotta ware, it was not considered that it would be economically practicable to refine the red clay by washing.

No tests were therefore carried out with the washed material obtainable from this clay.

The colour of the clay, moreover, renders it unsuitable for use in good quality earthenware or china mixtures, and for that reason also no tests were carried out in this direction.

Pottery Trials

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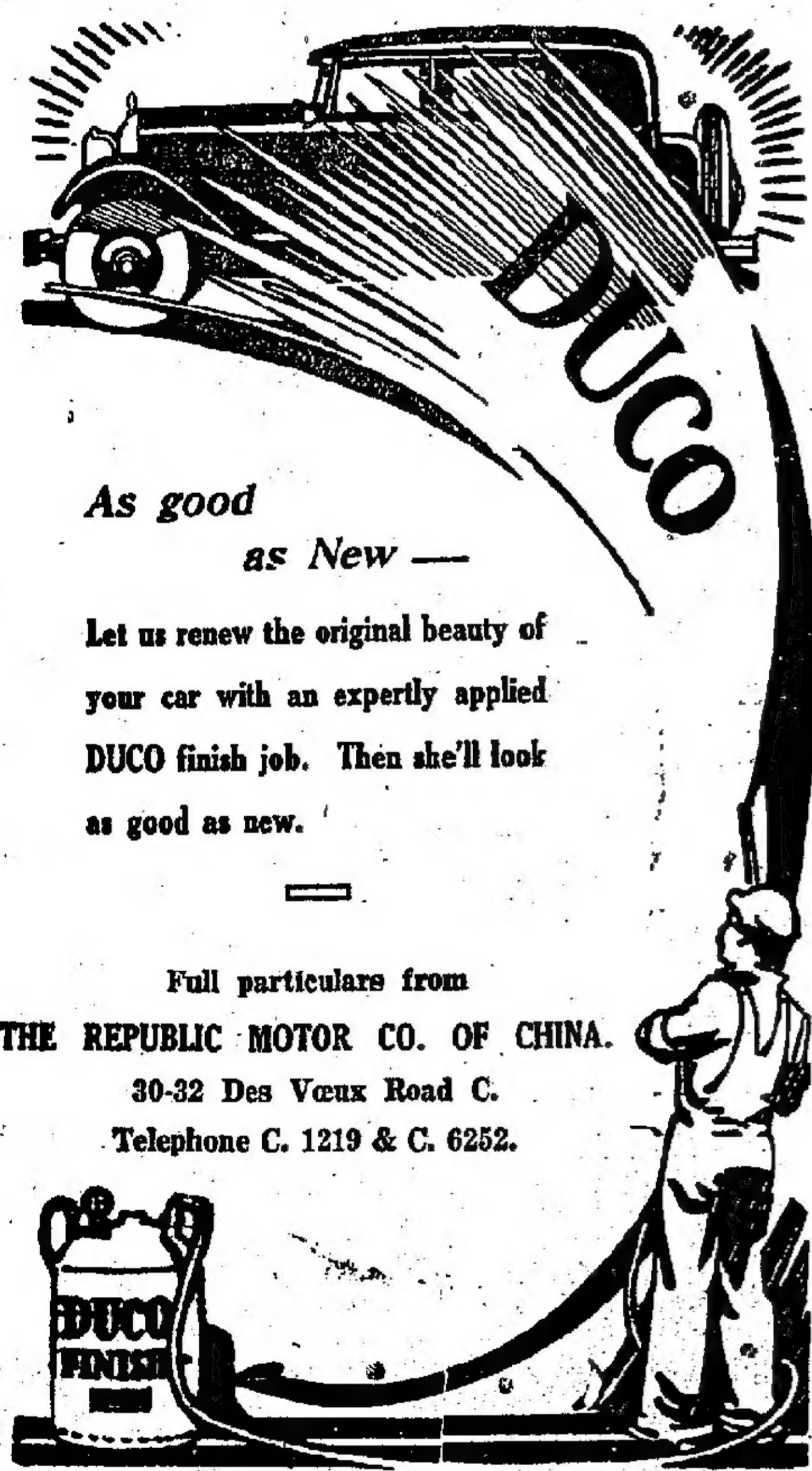
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RAY KEECH WINS ANNUAL SPEEDWAY CLASSIC

Indianapolis, May 30. Death and destruction were strewn in the wreckage of that scorching torch called the 500-mile automobile sweepstakes at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway today.

With a record-smashing crowd of 160,000 viewing the spectacle, Ray Keech, daring 28-year-old driver of Philadelphia, boomed his tiny eight-cylinder racing creation over the finish tape, a winner in 5:07:25.42.

Louis Chiron of Paris, France, one of the two foreign entries and 1928 European champion, finished seventh and Billy Arnold of Chicago, eighth.

Cliff Bergers of Los Angeles, was ninth and Fred Frame of Philadelphia, was awarded tenth place.

Many Cars in Mishaps

Experts consider it miraculous that only one driver was killed. Cliff Woodbury of Chicago, an audacious dirt track driver, narrowly escaped death when his car crashed into the northwest turn retaining wall on the third lap. Woodbury was unhurt and went back into the race as a relief driver.

Jules Moriceau, the other French driver in the race, also was in a smashup when his car turned over as he was finishing his 100th mile.

The car piloted by Deacon Litz ran off the track on the 56th lap at the time he was in the lead. It was so badly twisted that he was unable to resume. He won \$4,900 in lap prizes, however.

Two other drivers also were in smashups and fortunately escaped.

The day was perfect for racing but blistering hot for the spectators. It was a typical summer crowd that jammed the mile long grand stands and packed the infield. The male spectators shed their coats, while their fair com-

panions were dressed in colourful attire.

Litz Sets Furious Pace

A furious pace was set for the first 50 miles with Deacon Litz in his special, the same machine used by Louis Meyer in winning a year ago, out in front of the thundering brigade. His margin was less than a quarter of a lap, with Lou Moore in hot pursuit.

It was a remarkably close race among the three leaders when the first century of the long grind had been reeled off. Litz still held command of the situation, but was only 27 seconds ahead of Moore, who in turn was in a nose and nose struggle with Louis Meyer. Only fifteen seconds separated these two.

Babe Stapp had pushed his car from seventh to fourth place and he was followed by Leon Duray. Tony Gulotta was sixth and Jimmy Gleason had moved up to seventh.

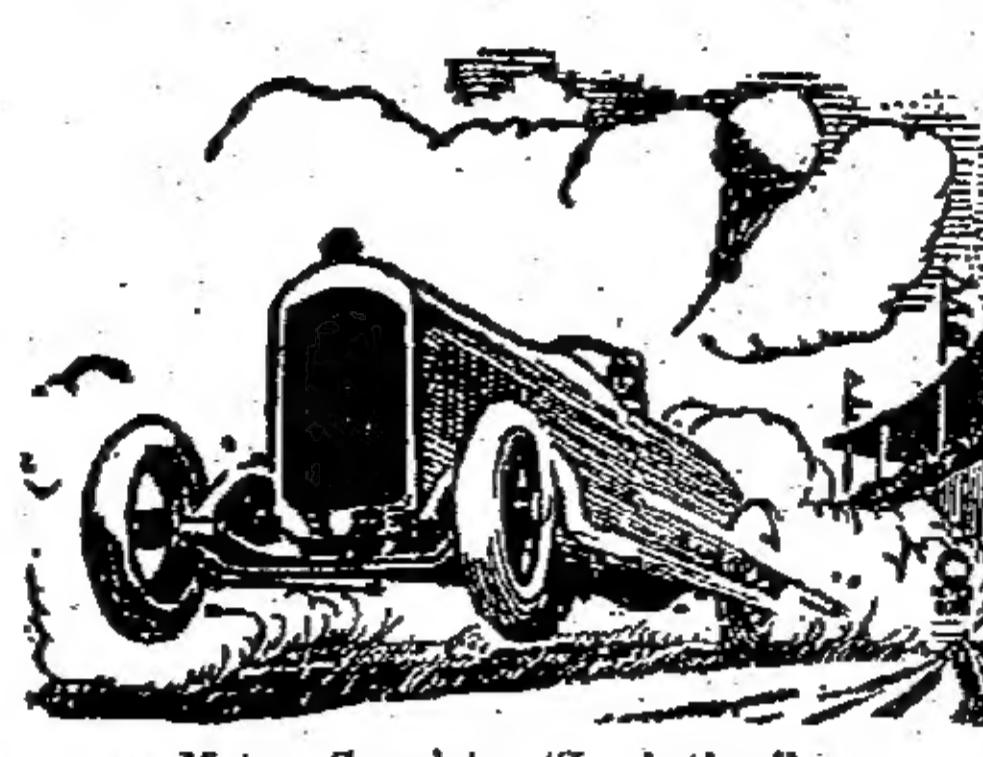
At 160 miles Moore was out in front with Louis Meyer closely following and Jimmy Gleason on the same lap in third position. Litz went out of the race shortly before this post had been reached. Frame had milled his way through the castor fumes from ninth to fifth place.

At 200 miles Meyer and Moore still were in a neck and neck battle for the leadership with the former having a slight advantage. Frame had moved up from fifth to third and Gleason was fourth with Keech fifth. Kries followed and in order were Winnal, Marchese, Gulotta and Farmer. The time was 1 hour, 57 minutes, 25 seconds, and the average was 102.192 miles an hour.

Fifteen of the speedway machines were knocked out when the halfway mark had been reached and it was a nip and tuck blanket race for the leading positions. Less than a hundred yards separated Frame, who was leading in his front drive car, and Meyer. Keech was on the same lap in third place.

Mr. H. S. Firestone, President of The Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, acted as referee of the race. Since every Indianapolis Race in the past nine years has been won on Firestone Tyres, it is particularly fitting that Mr. Firestone, as pioneer in the development of every great 'tyre improvement,' should be chosen the supreme arbiter of this classic race.

[Ray Keech has since been killed in a motor race.]



Motor Speedster "In Action."

other Philadelphia driver, pulling up in third place.

Twelve of the 33 drivers who wheeled their cars out for the start, survived the terrific test of speed. Falls Short of Record

Keech averaged 97.585 miles an hour. The speedway record is 101.23 miles an hour, made by Peter De Paolo, in 1925.

The race for \$100,000 resulted in the death of William Spence, 24, Los Angeles driver, and narrow escapes of five other drivers.

Spence, bounding over the perilously bumpy two and one-half-mile brick course at terrific speed, was killed on his fortieth mile. His car turned over as he was shooting out of a turn and going into the back stretch.

The car struck a retaining wall on a skid, threw Spence into the air in the middle of the track, turned completely over, righted itself, and then came to a stop far down the track.

Spence was thrown clear of the car, but he suffered a fatal fracture of the skull.

Winning Near \$40,000

Keech, by his victory, was enriched by about \$40,000. He won \$20,000 as first prize, \$5,100 in lap prizes and the balance in cash prizes offered by accessory manufacturers.

To-day's race was Keech's second major competition. He finished fourth in the 1928 race, coming here after gaining fame by setting a world record of 207.55 miles an hour on the beach at Daytona, Fla., a mark later broken by Major Segrave of England.

Keech exhibited steady, consistent and nervy driving. An outsider with the public, Keech was never worse off than tenth. He took the lead at 892 miles, when Meyer, who was leading at the time, was forced to the pits to replenish fuel and oil.

Meyer was forced to remain in the pits six minutes and 4 seconds, due to his inability to get his motor started again.

Keech retained the lead to the end.

Keech, driving a rear-drive car, was fourth at the first 50 miles, tenth at 100, seventh at 150, fifth at 200, third at 250 and second at the 300 and 350-mile marks, then he went into the lead and was never headed.

Lou Moore in Hard Luck
Misfortune descended on Lou Moore of Los Angeles, whose car, piloted by a relief driver, was forced to stop with only five miles to go and with second place apparently clinched. Moore jumped into the car and started a mad dash on his last two laps, but the connecting rod burned out on the back stretch and he was forced to quit. The stop cost Moore exactly \$10,000, second prize money.

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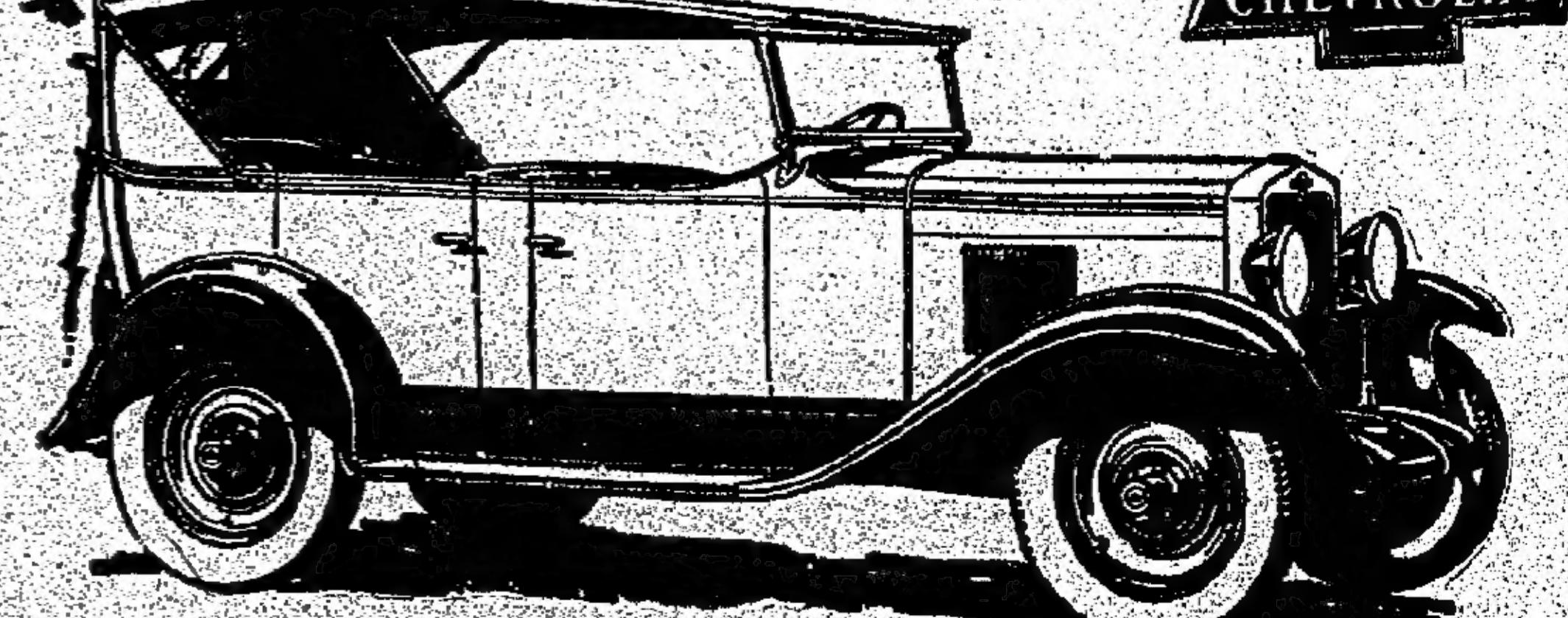
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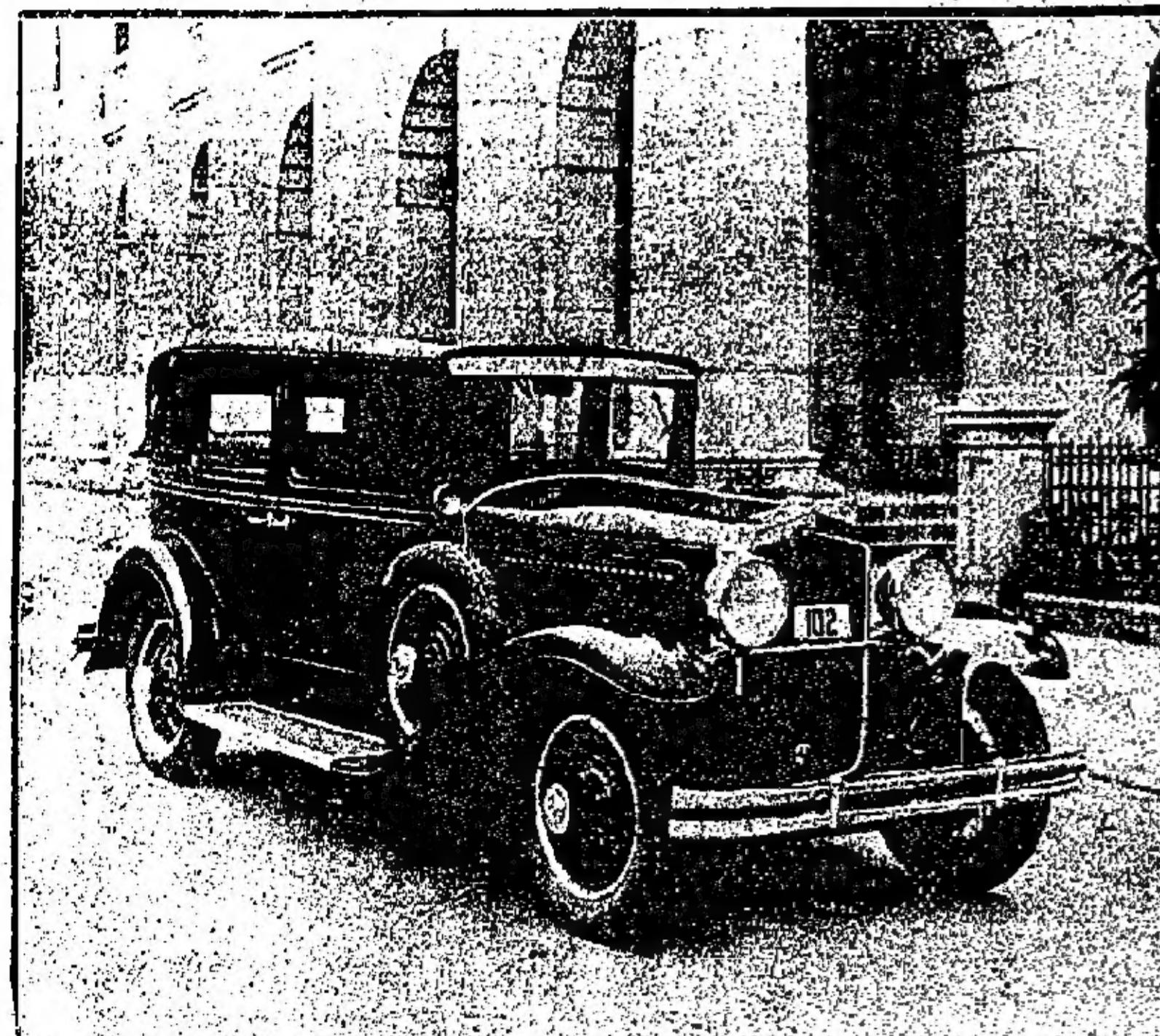
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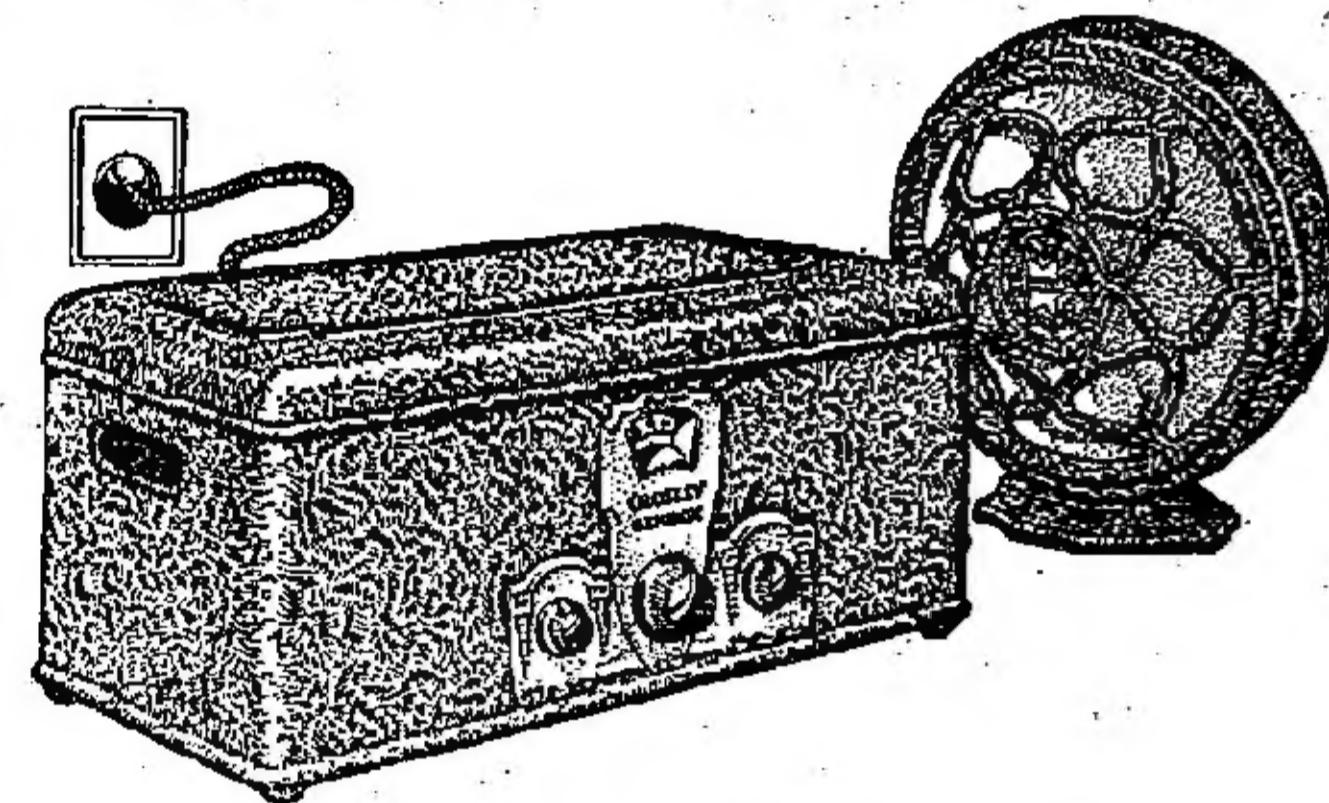
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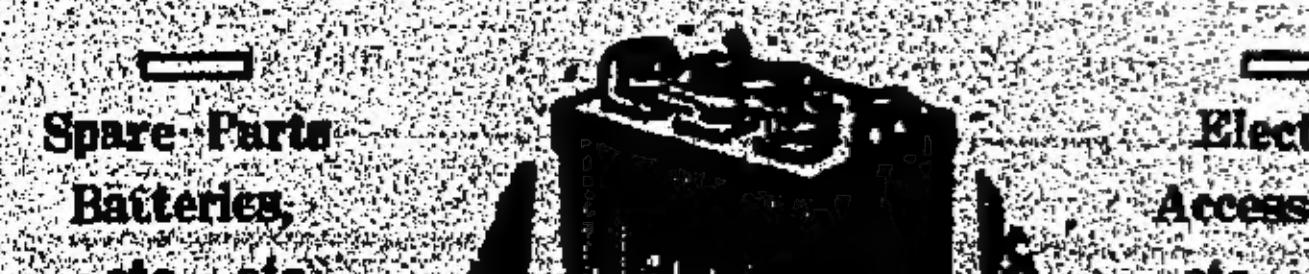
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OUTLAY OF THE AUSTIN COMPANY

A reduction in gross profits is reported by the Austin Motor Co., the total for the fifteen months ended December 31 last, being £861,300; this figure compares with £962,477 for the previous period, being made up to September 30, 1927.

The credit balance as at September, 1927, was £115,639, but after allowing £105,000 for Preference dividend payments, the actual amount brought in was £10,630, so that the amount now available is £871,939. Debenture interest takes £115,800, £52,950 goes to the sinking fund reserve, and £50,000 to income-tax account.

Heavy Payments
The half-year's interest on First Mortgage Debentures, half year's dividends on the 7 per cent. Preference shares, and a further one year's arrears on the 6 per cent. "B" Preference shares will be paid on July 1 next, bringing payment up to June 30, 1924, amounting to £128,220 gross. The amount to go forward is £55,664.

The report draws attention to the fact that from September 30, 1927, to December 31, 1928, the company paid out in cash:—
Preference dividends, including arrears, net £299,000
Debenture interest, one and half years, net 105,339

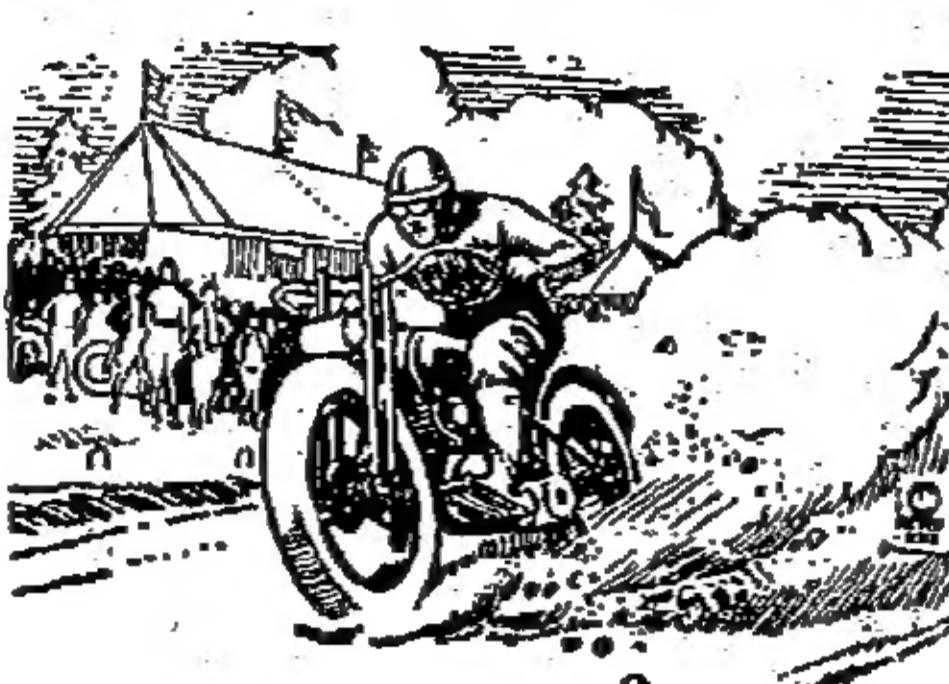
FAMOUS FAMILYGENERAL MOTORS FAMILY
AND THEIR FRIENDS

The question is frequently asked, "Who owns General Motors?"

General Motors is really owned by the public for there are now approximately 100,000 stockholders. Our employees have many thousands of shares which they have received through the several stock-participating plans sponsored by General Motors. Our preferred stock, which is highly recommended as an investment, was bought by 3,057 employees this year under the terms of a special subscription offer which was open to all employees.

The "Wall Street Journal" recently had a timely article on this subject, part of which follows:

"There has been a spectacular gain in the number of common shareholders of General Motors Corporation since November last, when the plan for splitting the stock on a 2½-for-1 basis was announced. As of February 16, the number of stockholders increased to 82,415, exceeding any previous record by more than 30,000. Never before in the corporation's history has the number of common stockholders been much in excess of 50,000. In



Motor Cyclist Attacks Records

Income-tax, assessments 1926-	
7 and 1927-28	115,512

Total £519,851

To reduce manufacturing costs and thereby meet the severe and increasing competition, the company has expended on new buildings, plant and equipment during the period £575,670, and has provided for the cancellation of Debentures £52,950, a total of £1,149,471.

Although the expenditure of £576,670 was incurred during the period, the full benefits of this outlay will not be obtained until the current year.

Selling Prices
Substantial reductions in selling prices were made in August, 1927, and August, 1928, which enabled the company to hold the markets at home and abroad in face of severe competition, and as showing the extent of the effort that has been made in this direction the selling prices of their cars have been reduced, after taking into consideration extra equipment added, by approximately 60 per cent. during the last seven years.

The programme drawn up for 1928 was 50 per cent. larger than that of the previous year, and for the first two months (October and November, 1927) this rate of turnover was accomplished in the home market, but owing to causes outside the company's control it could not be maintained, the increase for the fifteen months being 19 per cent. compared with the preceding similar period. This reduced turnover in relation to the programme seriously affected the profits earned. The demand for the company's products continues satisfactory.

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less than three months, however, 34,246 names have been added to the list, and the latest total compares with 49,169 on November 24, 1928, a gain of 71 per cent.

This large gain is significant one as it is a tangible indication of the extent to which the public has been buying sound industrial securities recently.

Approximately 7,000 additional names were added through distribution of shares to employees under the corporation's employee ownership plan, but the great majority of the new stockholders represented public buying taking General Motors out of the market in small lots through purchase for investment."

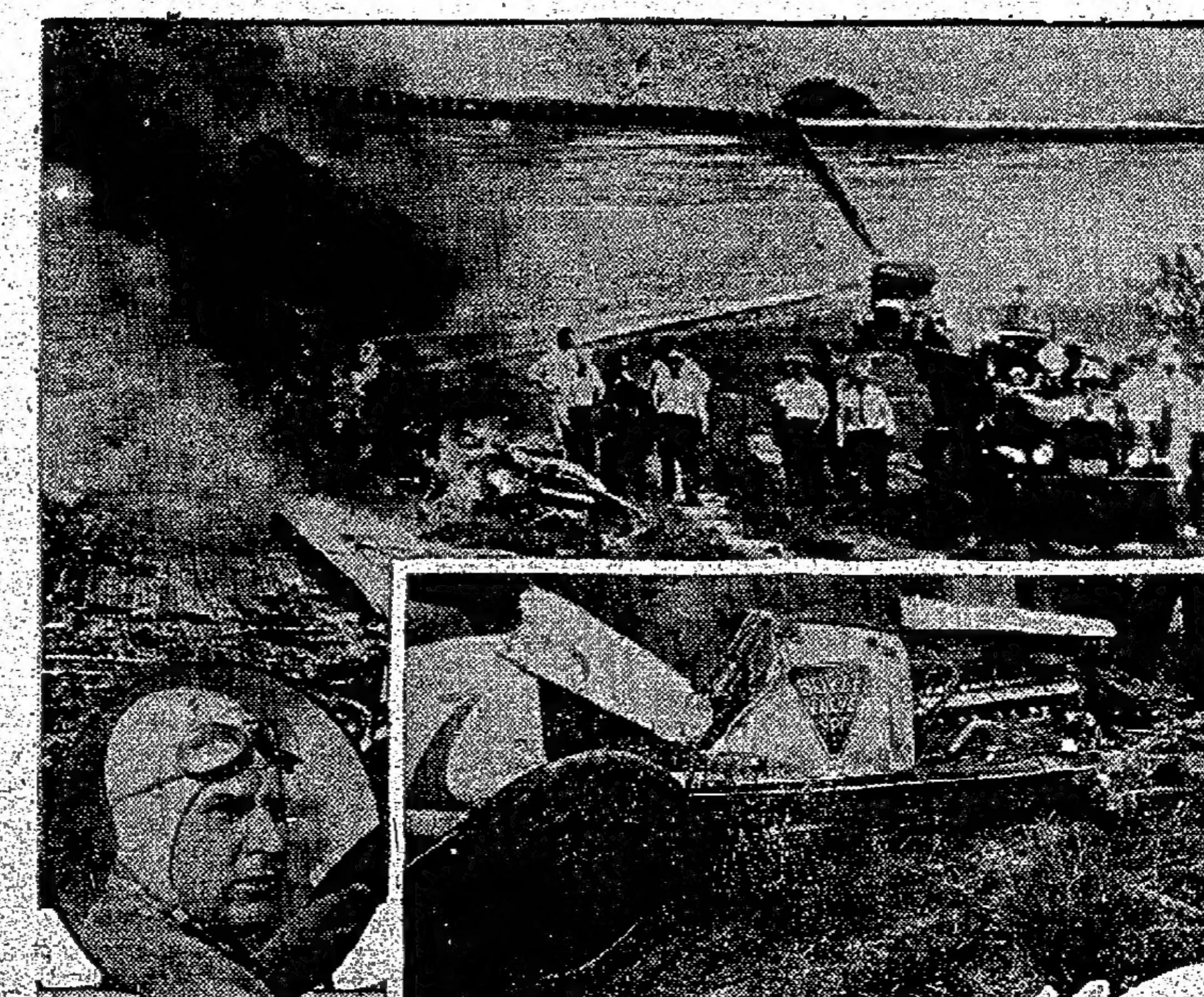
Motors & Aviation
The Adam Opel Company in Russelheim, Germany, has become associated with General Motors. Opel, the most popular German car, as well as other Opel products, are made at Russelheim.

General Motors is to have an interest in the new Bendix Aviation Corporation and will turn in to it valuable rights in the aviation accessory field and rights in connection with other devices. The recently formed company combines several outstanding aviation accessory units, including Deles Aviation, a member of the General Motors Family.

THE VIKINGJOINS GENERAL MOTORS
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(Continued on Next Column.)



Ray Keech, inset, veteran speed driver and winner of the Indianapolis 500-mile race, was one of the four racers who crashed at the east turn just as the cars passed the 100-mile mark in the 200-mile race at Altoona, Pa. Keech was leading when the disaster occurred and was instantly killed. The burning car which Keech drove is shown here above. The wrecked car at right was driven by Cliff Woodbury, one of the two men who were in the crash and were seriously injured.



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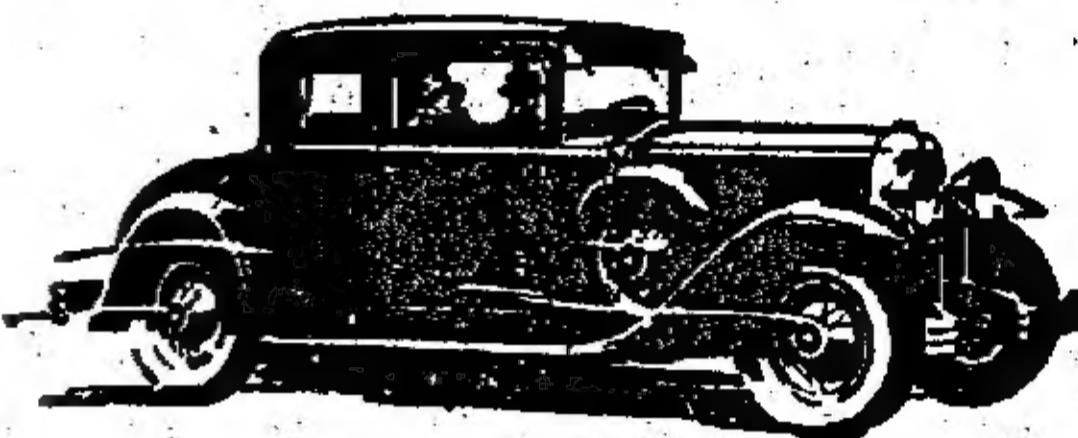
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870,000 square feet of floor space have been added to the Oldsmobile plant and some of the new buildings will be used exclusively for the manufacture of the Viking. In one, the engines will be made and this has been equipped with a production lay out that represents the peak of efficiency. Other departments have been enlarged and a new assembly line installed for the Viking.

As have the other General Motors cars, the originality of the new Viking will establish a style of car design. The body and its appointments are distinctly pleasing in appearance and the engine is of the same principle which has proved so satisfactory to thousands of Cadillac and La Salle owners. Perhaps the most impressive thing about the new Viking is that it has a type of power plant and other

features found before in only the cars selling for \$2,000 and more.

The new Viking, whose heritage is the sturdy qualities of its namesake, is welcomed into the General Motors Family to do its part in serving the public and earning its good will.

What is Your Average Run?

"When touring, what is your average daily mileage?" was the question recently asked of its members by the American Automobile Association. Thirty per cent stated that 200 miles was their average daily run. Then came 250 miles a day by 25 per cent, 300 miles a day by 16 per cent, and 150 miles a day by 16 per cent. The average daily run was 224 miles, as compared with 100 miles a day in 1919.

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LIVERPOOL SERVICE.

"ACTOLYTES" 20th July Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.
"AGAPENOR" 20th Aug. Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.

PACIFIC SERVICE.

"XIAO" 1st Aug. Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.
"TYNDAREUS" 24th Aug. Victoria, Vancouver & Seattle.

NEW YORK SERVICE.

"ADRASSTUS" 5th Aug. New York, Boston & Baltimore.
"PHEMUTUS" 2nd Sept. New York, Boston & Baltimore.

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THURSDAY, JULY 18.

Shanghai & Amoy Kanchow
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Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 27th and 28th June) Lahn

FRIDAY, JULY 19.

U.S.A. (Seattle, 29th June), Canada, Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 29th June) President Jefferson

Japan and Shanghai Khiva

SATURDAY, JULY 20.

Calcutta and Straits Takliwa
Shanghai Alipore

SUNDAY, JULY 21.

Straits Hakusan Maru
MONDAY, JULY 22. President McKinley

Manila Empress of France

Canada (Victoria, B.C., 4th July), U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai

OUTWARD MAJUS.

For Per

THURSDAY, JULY 18.

Saigon Prominent 3.30 p.m.
Haiphong Francis Garnier 5 p.m.
Manila Bellingham 5 p.m.

*Straits and Parcels for Germany via Hamburg Lahu 5 p.m.
Saigon Clung Hwah 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, JULY 19.

Japan Kaga Maru 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia Malwa 10.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard Tai Poo Sek 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hai Ning 2 p.m.

Formosa Havana 3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow Tai Ming 4.30 p.m.
Tourane Chung Kong 5 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles Khiva

(Due Marseilles, 17th Aug.)

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Parcels July 19, 4 p.m.
Registration July 20, 9 a.m.
Letters 10 a.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 20.

Straits and Calcutta Hosang Parcels July 20, noon
Letters 1 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa Alipore 3 p.m.
Manila President Jefferson 4.30 p.m.
Amoy Kung Chow 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 21.

Bangkok via Swatow Kalgan 9 a.m.
Amoy Kanchow 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Canton Maru 9 a.m.

MONDAY, JULY 22.

Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia Hakusan Maru 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan Hengsheng 1.30 p.m.
Wei Kai Wei via Swatow Huchow 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan Nam Sang 5 p.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

CANTON ITEMS

NAME OF "8TH ROUTE ARMY" TO BE ABOLISHED

KWANTUNG GARRISON.

Canton, Tuesday. The Headquarters of the Eighth Route Army at Canton, which was established by order of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek during the inter-provincial war between Kwangtung and Kwangsi, will be abolished next month. The programme of disarmament and re-organisation of all forces in Kwangtung will also be taken up about that time.

According to the plans laid down and authorised by the National Government, the total strength of the army of Kwangtung province will be limited to three divisions and one independent brigade.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Construction Budget.

Canton, Yesterday. General Chan Ming-shu's and General Chan Chai-tong's unofficial visit to Hong Kong has been described by a spokesman of the Canton Government as being a mission to persuade Mr. Tang Chak-yu to accept the appointment as Chief of the Construction Department of the Canton Provincial Government.

The spokesman also revealed the fact that the Canton Government has resolved to put aside monthly \$300,000 from the Provincial Treasury for construction purposes in Kwangtung, if Mr. Tang consents to accept the position.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

Canton, Yesterday.

In order to carry out his plan for a national uniform currency, Mr. T. V. Soong (Minister of Finance) is said to have ordered the Shanghai Mint to prepare by next month or the beginning of September to mint a daily output of \$1,000,000 for circulation. It is expected that the output of silver from the Shanghai Mint will eventually lead to the closing of the Mint in Kwangtung and other provinces.

Disarmament.

The Committee for Disarmament sitting at Nanking has decided that Kwangtung is to be divided into four Disarmament districts:—

The East district, under General Chiang Kwang-nai,
the Western district under General Hoang Hon-ping,
the Northern district under Yu Hon-mou,
the Southern district, commander to be selected.—Canton News Agency.

THE KUOMINCHUN

ITS RE-ORGANISATION AND DISBANDMENT

OFFICERS TO STAY ON

Shanghai, Yesterday. According to a report from Taiyuan, the capital of Shanxi, Generals Yen Hsi-shan and Feng Yu-hsiang, in connection with the disbandment and re-organisation of Feng's army (the Kuominchun), have reached an understanding which places Feng in control of the work. After the completion of this work, Yen Hsi-shan will accord him full protection and secure him every facility for his journey abroad.

It is said that no high military officer in the Kuominchun will be dismissed.—Nan Chung Kuo News Service.

South Wales Coal Marketing Board decided to increase at once the minimum export price for large coal by 6d. a ton.

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GHASTLY MURDER IN WANCHAI

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HUSBAND'S STARTLING FIND

The Chinese wife of Captain Seaton, a veteran of the merchant service, was the victim of a brutal murder which occurred at their flat on the first floor of No. 11, Landale-street, Wanchai, last night.

At first it looked as if the unfortunate woman had been the victim of armed robbers, but after the circumstances of the affair had been gone into this theory has been abandoned, as it was found that nothing had been stolen from the flat, although money and other valuables had been near at hand, and not likely to be overlooked by robbers.

Although Police investigators have not yet discovered any clue to work on as to the identity of the murderers, the opinion prevails that the poor woman was murdered for some cause other than robbery.

In a Pool of Blood

Captain Seaton left home at about 7.40 p.m. soon after a small girl living with his wife and him had gone out on an errand. When the Captain returned at about 8 o'clock,

Degrees

Temperature, 10 a.m., to-day	80
Temperature, 4 p.m., yesterday	87
Humidity, 10 a.m., to-day	85
Humidity, 4 p.m., yesterday	71

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NAVAL DOCKYARD

DEPARTURE OF ANOTHER OFFICIAL

HANDSOME SOUVENIR

At the Naval Dockyard Club yesterday evening before a large gathering of friends and Club members Mr. W. Latham, of the Constructive Department, was presented with a handsome silver tea set by Mr. S. R. Tickner, Chief Constructor, who paid a graceful tribute to his services.

Mr. W. Bickford, Principal Clerk of the Constructive Department, presided, and a small musical programme was contributed to by Messrs. Longyear (piano), Stacey (violin) and Turner (vocalist).

Mr. Latham leaves on Saturday for Sheerness by the P. & O. s.s. "Khiva," having served five years here.

PRIME MINISTER

NEGOTIATIONS AS TO VISIT TO U.S.A.

ITS OBJECT

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BIG LINERS

TWO 56,000 TONNERS FOR ATLANTIC SERVICE

New York, Yesterday.

The United States lines announce that two new 56,000 ton liners, each costing \$25,000,000 will be laid down in 1930 for the Atlantic Service.—Reuter's American Service.

DEPORTEES

12,000 FROM U.S.A. LAST YEAR

Washington, Yesterday.

The Immigration Commissioner announces that 12,000 persons were deported from the United States during the past fiscal year.—Reuter's American Service.

But the

A Trail of Blood

The murdered woman had stab wounds on her chest, join and hands, the latter apparently received in a struggle with her murderers. She had been attacked inside the house and when her assailants left her she had walked across the floor a distance of 14 feet to the landing where she collapsed. This was made evident by a trail of blood on the floor. The only weapon the investigators found on the floor was one half of a pair of scissors and this is believed to have been dropped by one of the woman's three assailants.

Captain Seaton who had lived happily with his wife for 35 years was so affected by the tragedy that he could not stay in the flat and left in the company of a missionary friend who was the first of his many friends to call and offer assistance as soon as the tragedy became known.

A room in the flat was in disorder but it is not thought that any of the three men had entered it. The disorder is explained by the fact that preparations were being made to vacate the flat at which Captain Seaton and his wife had lived for the past seven years, and were well-known figures in the neighbourhood. The murdered woman was 50 years of age.

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